## UNITED STATES OFFICE OF

# **GOVERNMENT ETHICS**

September 20, 2018

### **VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY**

Austin R. Evers foia@americanoversight.org

Tracking No: OGE FOIA FY 17/237

Dear Mr. Evers:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, which was received by the U.S. Office of Government Ethics (OGE) FOIA Office on March 9, 2017. In your request, you asked for:

- 1. Records containing or reflecting communications between OGE and individuals nominated, or anticipated to be nominated, by President Trump for Senate-confirmed positions in the federal government, including communications with attorneys or agents acting on behalf of such nominees or prospective nominees, as well as members of the Trump administration, the Trump transition team, or the Trump campaign about such nominees or prospective nominees.
- 2. Records containing or reflecting communications between OGE and individuals appointed, or anticipated to be appointed, by President Trump for positions in the Executive Office of the President in the White House, including communications with attorneys or agents acting on behalf of such appointees or prospective appointees, as well as members of the Trump administration, the Trump transition team, or the Trump campaign about such appointees or prospective appointees.

After clarification, you limited this request to exclude nomination notification emails, preclearance notification emails, and report transmittal emails. You also limited the request to a list of certain nominees and appointees.

Because the responsive records are voluminous, we are providing you with a rolling response. As a tenth response to your request, please find 241 pages of responsive documents related to the Secretaries of Transportation, Homeland Security, and Veterans Affairs, and the Director of OMB, subject to deletions made in accordance with FOIA Exemption 3, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3) as material specifically exempted from disclosure by another statute; FOIA Exemption 4, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4), as commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential; FOIA Exemption 5, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), as inter- and intra-agency pre-decisional deliberative process material; and FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), as information the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal





privacy. The deletions are each marked with a reference "(b)(3)," "(b)(4)," "(b)(5)," or "(b)(6)" in the enclosed copies.

We are withholding approximately 104 pages in their entirety under FOIA Exemption 3, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3) as material specifically exempted from disclosure by another statute, FOIA Exemption 4, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4) as trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential, FOIA Exemption 5, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5) as inter- & intra-agency predecisional deliberative process material, and FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) as information the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. The withheld pages are attachments to emails provided in the 241-page release and are identified in that release.

OGE located additional responsive records that originated with the Department of Transportation (DOT), Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). We are sending these responsive records, along with a copy of your request, to these Departments. The FOIA Requester Service Center phone numbers are, respectively: (202) 366-4542, (202) 325-0150 and (202) 461-5046. We are asking them to review the material and respond directly to you. The referred records are identified in the set of responsive documents provided to you.

OGE located responsive records related to the head of the CIA. We are sending these responsive records, along with a copy of your request, to the CIA. The Agency's FOIA Requester Service Center phone number is: (202) 613-1287. We are asking the Agency to review the material and respond directly to you.

Please note there are special access provisions for the following types of records:

- Public financial disclosure reports are not available under the FOIA, pursuant to FOIA Exemption 3, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3) as material specifically exempted from disclosure by another statute. Instead, the Ethics in Government Act (5 U.S.C. app. § 105) and OGE regulations provide for a special access provision for public financial disclosure reports. You may use OGE's online system to access these reports. Most of the reports you seek (i.e. nominees who occupy positions for which the pay is set at Levels 1 and 2 of the Executive Schedule) are posted on our website <a href="here">here</a>. Any other reports certified by OGE are available <a href="here">here</a>.
- Ethics agreements are available online at the same location as the public financial disclosure reports.
- OGE regulations provide for a special access provision for Certificates of Divestiture (CDs). OGE has created an automated tool to request copies of the CDs, available on OGE's website here.



- 18 U.S.C. § 208 provides for a special access provision for conflict of interest waivers. You may use the fill and print PDF version of the <u>OGE Form 201</u> to request copies of 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1) waivers from the employee's home agency.
- Ethics pledge waivers under Executive Order 13770 are available <a href="here">here</a>.

Because of the special access provisions for obtaining financial disclosure reports, ethics agreements, CDs, and conflict of interest waivers, and ethics pledge waivers, we are not processing these records under the FOIA.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact me by telephone at 202-482-9267. As OGE's FOIA Public Liaison, I am available for assisting in reducing delays, increasing transparency and understanding of the status of requests, and assisting in the resolution of disputes. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

The OGE official responsible for this FOIA determination is the undersigned. In accordance with the FOIA, as codified at 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(A), and OGE's updated FOIA regulations, at 5 C.F.R. § 2604.304, you may administratively appeal this determination to the Program Counsel, U.S. Office of Government Ethics, 1201 New York Avenue, N.W., Suite 500, Washington, DC 20005-3917. Any such appeal must be in writing and must be sent within 90 days of the date you receive this response letter. If you do appeal, you should include copies of your request and this response, together with a statement of why you believe this initial determination is in error. Also, if you appeal, you should clearly indicate on the envelope and in the letter that it is a "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

Rachel K. Dowell OGE FOIA Officer

Attachment

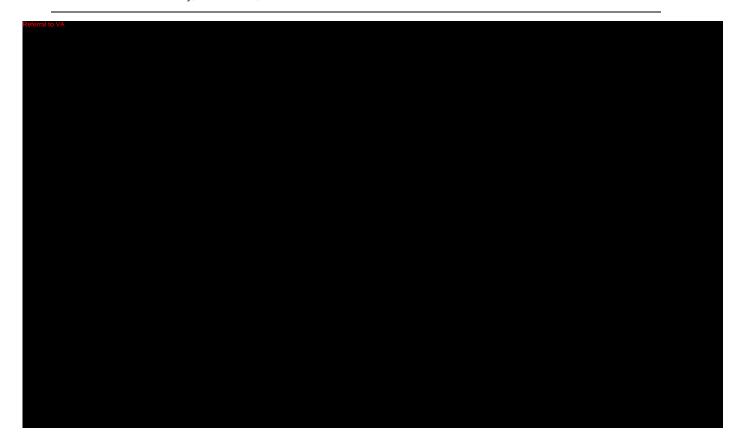


From: <u>Deborah J. Bortot</u>

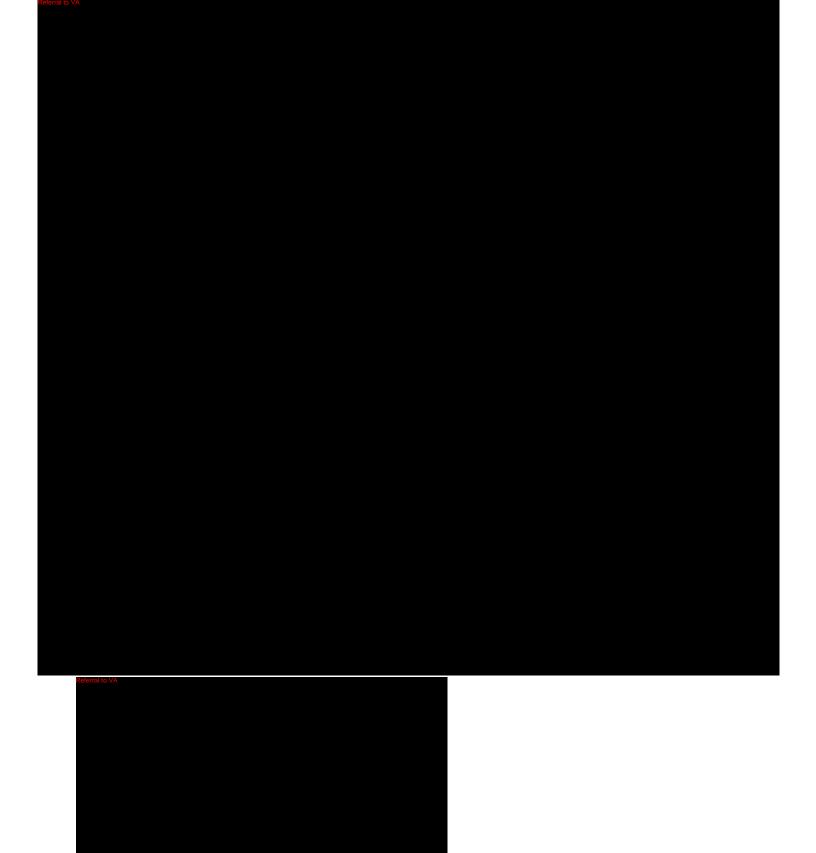
To: <u>Teresa L. Williamson; Heather A. Jones; Sandra S. Mabry; Keith Labedz</u>

Subject: FW: Points of Contact for Nominee Pakcages

Date: Tuesday, December 20, 2016 9:03:55 AM









Referral to VA

From: Teresa L. Williamson [mailto:tlwillia@oge.gov]

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 20, 2016 2:03 PM **To:** Gurland, Jonathan I.; Britt, Christopher

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Points of Contact for Nominee Packages

**Importance:** High Good Afternoon,

I hope you are both doing well. We want to make sure we have a point of contact during the holidays on any new nominees that come in. Would you please provide contact information for staff from your office that will be working on the nominee packages over the next few weeks.

Thanks! Teresa

Teresa

Teresa Williamson

Presidential Nominations Branch

U.S. Office of Government Ethics

1201 New York Avenue, NW - Suite 500



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From: <u>Teresa L. Williamson</u>

To: Heather A. Jones; Deborah J. Bortot
Subject: FW: Integrity.gov: Report Pending Action
Date: Thursday, January 19, 2017 12:07:08 PM

New report in Integrity - who's getting it?

----Original Message-----

From: Integrity.gov (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 11:58 AM

To: Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: Integrity.gov: Report Pending Action

A 2017 Nominee report for Shulkin, David J is pending your action as Router. You may access the report by logging into integrity at long-point integri



From: Lorna A. Syme
To: "Britt, Christopher"
Subject: RE (5)(3), (6)

**Date:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 3:31:19 PM

## That would be great.





From: Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov] Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 3:35 PM To: Britt, Christopher Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Ethics Form I just re-checked with my office and they said (6)(3), (5), (6) I'm going to have questions for you but I might not get them to you until later tonight or tomorrow morning. I'm making some technical changes to the report as I go through it. Will you be able to review/forward my questions to the filer so that he has them over the weekend? From: Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov] Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 3:11 PM To: Britt, Christopher Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Ethics Form Thanks. (6)(3), (5), (6) I'm going to go ahead and make those changes now because they are really purely technical. From: Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov] Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 2:14 PM To: Britt, Christopher Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Ethics Form





From: Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 1:50 PM

To: Britt, Christopher

Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: Ethics Form

I'm working through the report now. Should I email my questions to you when I'm done?

From: Heather A. Jones

Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 1:13 PM

To: Britt, Christopher; Deborah J. Bortot; Lorna A. Syme

Subject: Re: Ethics Form

Lorna Syme. She is copied on this email.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Deborah J. Bortot [mailto:djbortot@oge.gov]

Sent: Friday, January 13, 2017 8:34 AM

**To:** Britt, Christopher **Cc:** Heather A. Jones

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RE: Ethics Form

Chris,

I just checked the *Integrity* system and I do not see a nominee report for Dr. Shulkin pending with OGE. The first step is for him to work with the Presidential Transition Team (PTT) to get started in *Integrity*. PTT will then release the report to your agency and OGE. Until the report is release to us by PTT, we can't see it in *Integrity*.

Has PTT been working with him to start a nominee report in *Integrity?* 

Thanks,

Deb



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From: Lorna A. Syme
To: "Britt, Christopher"
Subject: nominee report

**Date:** Friday, January 20, 2017 1:23:43 PM

I hope to send you my comments shortly. It's taking me a little bit longer than I expected to match up everything.

Also, can you remind me of the <sup>(b)(3), (6)</sup>. I remember us discussing, but my notes are in the office. Maybe we can discuss by telephone at some point. We may have to tweak the language on Part 3.

Lorna Syme Presidential Nominations Branch U.S. Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Ave., NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005-3917 Telephone: (202) 482-9277

Facsimile: (202) 482-9237

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From: Lorna A. Syme "Britt, Christopher" To:

Subject:

Date: Friday, January 20, 2017 1:42:04 PM

Yes - Part 2.

From: Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2017 1:38 PM
To: Britt, Christopher

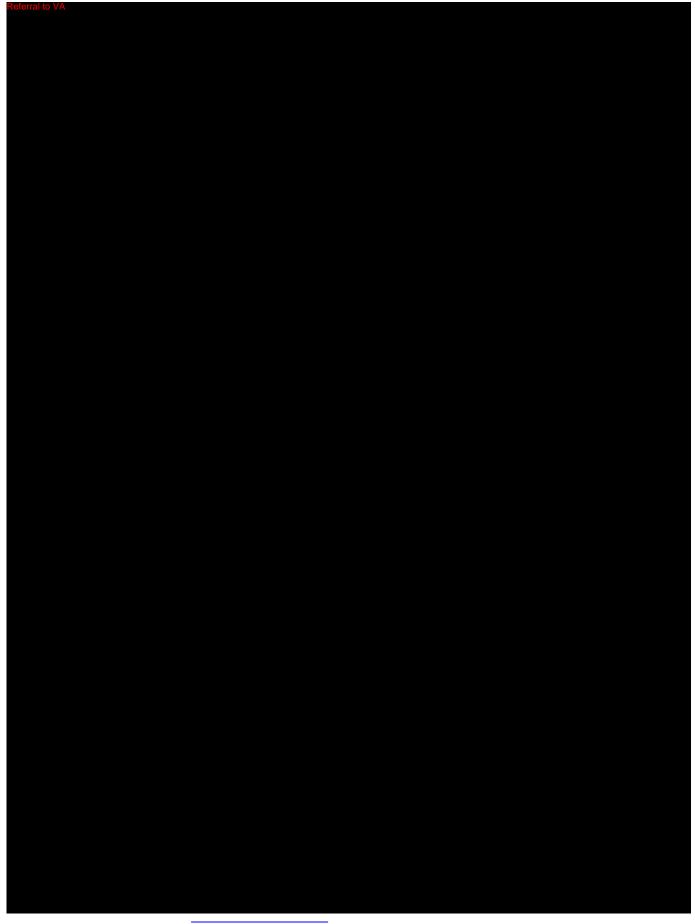
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE:

Yes – we will have to clarify. I read Part 3 to mean (0)(3), (5), (6)

. I think

Part 3 language will need to be revised a bit.





Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 5:45 PM



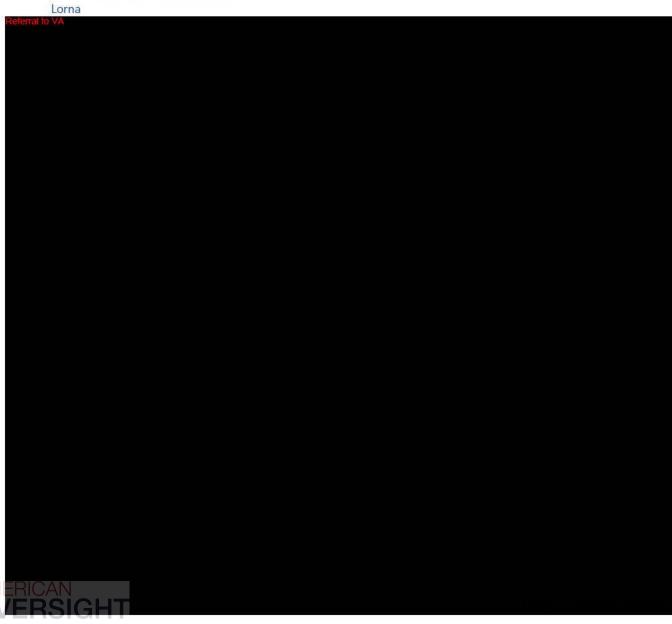
To: Britt, Christopher
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE:
Hi Chris:

These are the guestions that we think should be addressed in your analysis:

(b)(3), (5), (6)

analysis:

Let me know if you want to discuss.



From: Lorna A. Syme
To: Heather A. Jones
Subject: RE: quick question

**Date:** Friday, January 20, 2017 4:08:24 PM

#### Checking Thx

From: Heather A. Jones

**Sent:** Friday, January 20, 2017 3:45 PM **To:** Lorna A. Syme; Deborah J. Bortot

Subject: Re: quick question

Correct.

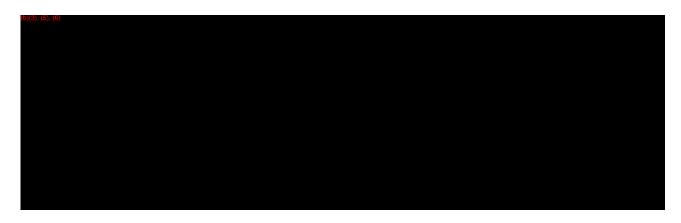
(b)(3), (5), (6)

### Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Lorna A. Syme

**Sent:** Friday, January 20, 2017 3:40 PM **To:** Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones

**Subject:** quick question



Correct? Thanks!

Lorna Syme

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From: Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2017 3:59 PM
To: Britt, Christopher
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: initial questions





From: Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov]

**Sent:** Friday, January 20, 2017 2:59 PM

To: Britt, Christopher





**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] initial questions

Sorry my review took a longer than I expected. My initial comments/questions are attached. Happy to discuss if you need any clarification

Lorna Syme
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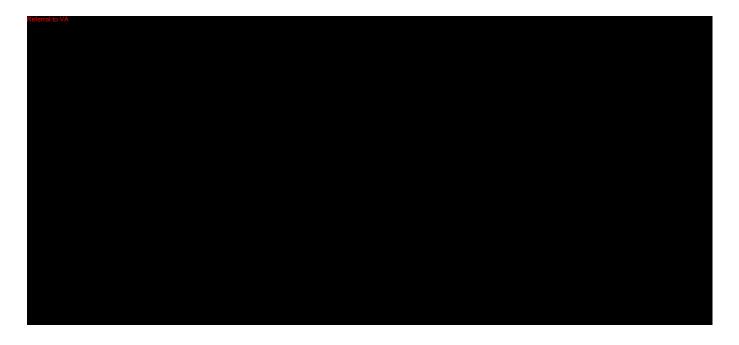


From: Lorna A. Syme
To: "Britt, Christopher"
Subject: RE: "Bless of question"

**Date:** Friday, January 20, 2017 10:16:09 PM

The really should be moved to Part 5. Can you tell me which they are and I can move

them.





From: Lorna A. Syme
To: "Britt, Christopher"
Subject: RE: (5)(3), (6)

**Date:** Friday, January 20, 2017 10:23:07 PM



From: Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2017 4:20 PM

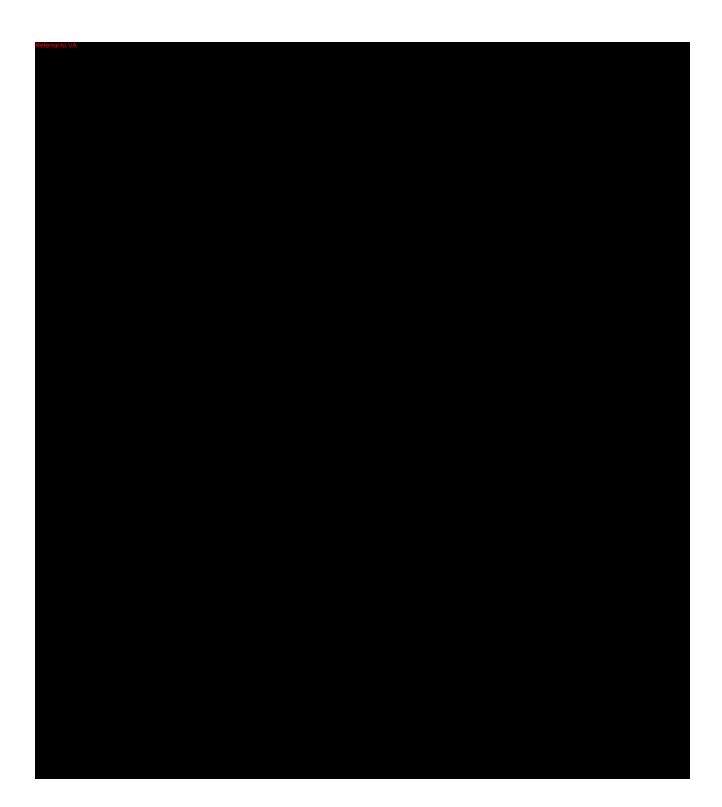
To: Britt, Christopher

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: (6)(3), (6)

b)(3), (6)

Take a look. He can retain or drop the endnote – his decision.







From: Deborah J. Bortot

Lorna A. Syme; Heather A. Jones; Keith Labedz To:

Subject:

Date: Saturday, January 21, 2017 4:35:05 PM

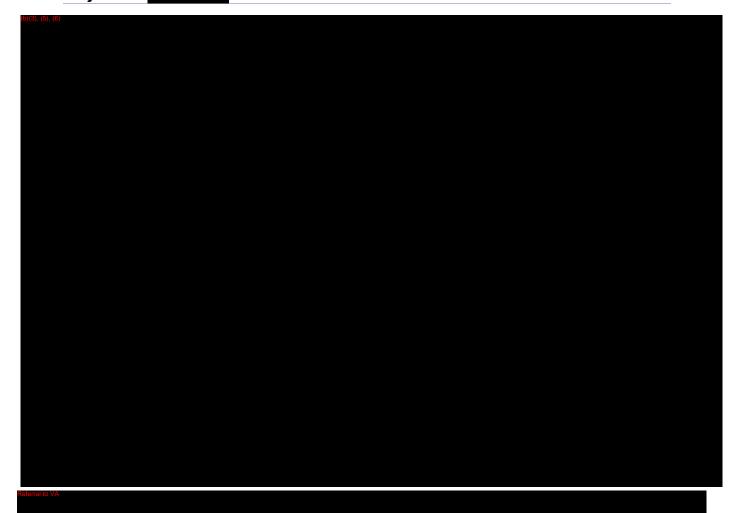
I would send them the regs.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Lorna A. Syme

Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2017 3:48 PM
To: Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones; Keith Labedz

Subject: FW:









From: Heather A. Jones

To: Lorna A. Syme; Deborah J. Bortot; Keith Labedz

Subject: Re

**Date:** Sunday, January 22, 2017 1:34:24 PM

### OK just put something on the calendar

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Lorna A. Syme

Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2017 12:27 PM

To: Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones; Keith Labedz

Subject:

Maybe we can talk early Monday about revisions to the language for Part 3 for reporting of these

As a reminder, Dave, Walt, Lorna, Deb and Heather all met in October/November 2015 to discuss.

Lorna



From: Deborah J. Bortot

To: United Services and A. Syme; "Britt, Christopher"; David J. Apol; Teresa L. Williamson; Sandra S. Mabry; Heather A. Jones; Rodrick T. Johnson; Keith Labedz Cc:

Subject: PRECLEARED: David Shulkin

Date: Friday, January 27, 2017 10:32:31 AM

Stefan, David Shulkin is precleared.

Lorna, please forward the ethics agreement to Stefan.

Thanks!

Deb

Deborah J. Bortot Chief, Presidential Nominations Branch U.S. Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Ave., NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005-3917

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From: <u>Teresa L. Williamson</u>

To: <u>Lorna A. Syme</u>; <u>Britt, Christopher</u>

Subject: Public Financial Disclosure Report of David J. Shulkin

Date: Friday, January 27, 2017 2:37:19 PM
Attachments: Shulkin, David J. finalsenateletter.docx.pdf

Shulkin, David J. final278.pdf Shulkin, David J. finalEA.pdf inal EA and final senate letter released below. i78 financial disclosure report withheld in full - (bj 3) - Available at https://extapps2.oge.gov/201/ residen.nsf/PAS%20Index?OpenView

#### Good Afternoon,

I've attached the financial disclosure package for David J. Shulkin, who has been nominated by President Trump for the position of Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

#### Thanks!

Teresa Williamson Presidential Nominations Branch U.S. Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Avenue, NW - Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005 202-482-9283





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The Honorable Johnny Isakson Chairman Committee on Veterans' Affairs United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, I enclose a copy of the financial disclosure report filed by David J. Shulkin, who has been nominated by President Trump for the position of Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

We have reviewed the report and have obtained advice from the agency concerning any possible conflict in light of its functions and the nominee's proposed duties. Also enclosed is an ethics agreement outlining the actions that the nominee will undertake to avoid conflicts of interest. Unless a date for compliance is indicated in the ethics agreement, the nominee must fully comply within three months of confirmation with any action specified in the ethics agreement.

Based thereon, we believe that this nominee is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations governing conflicts of interest.

Sincerely,

Walter M. Shaub, Jr.

Director

**Enclosures** 

#### January 27, 2017

Ms. Tammy L. Kennedy
Chief Counsel and
Designated Agency Ethics Official
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420

Dear Ms. Kennedy,

The purpose of this letter is to describe the steps that I will take to avoid any actual or apparent conflict of interest in the event that I am confirmed for the position of Secretary of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

As required by 18 U.S.C. § 208(a), I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter in which I know that I have a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, or in which I know that a person whose interests are imputed to me has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2). I understand that the interests of the following persons are imputed to me: any spouse or minor child of mine; any general partner of a partnership in which I am a limited or general partner; any organization in which I serve as officer, director, trustee, general partner or employee; and any person or organization with which I am negotiating or have an arrangement concerning prospective employment.

I received a severance payment from Atlantic Health System on July 2, 2015. Until July 3, 2017, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know Atlantic Health System, or its hospitals, is a party or represents a party, unless I first receive a written waiver pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.503(c).

My spouse owns a medical practice, Merle Bari MD and Associates Inc. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of Merle Bari MD and Associates Inc., unless I first obtain a written waiver pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1).

I have been advised that the duties of the position of Secretary may involve particular matters affecting the financial interests of the following entities: ImaCor, Inc., Control Rad Inc., SpectraMD, Inc., and Electrocore, Inc. The Department has determined that it is not necessary at this time for me to divest my interests in these entities because the likelihood that my duties will involve any such matter is remote. Accordingly, with regard to each of these entities, I will not participate personally and



Ms. Tammy Kennedy Page 2

substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of the entity for as long as I own it, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2).

I have an agreement with Hutchinson Biofilm Medical Solutions Ltd. that entitles me to receive a grant of stock options from the company if, at any time in the future, the company issues stock options. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of Hutchinson Biofilm Medical Solutions Ltd., unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2).

I will divest my interests in the following entities within 90 days of my confirmation: Amazon, Bank of America, Citigroup Inc., JP Morgan Chase, Morgan Stanley, Wells Fargo, and M&T Bank Corp. With regard to each of these entities, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of the entity until I have divested it, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2).

I understand that I may be eligible to request a Certificate of Divestiture for qualifying assets and that a Certificate of Divestiture is effective only if obtained prior to divestiture. Regardless of whether I receive a Certificate of Divestiture, I will ensure that all divestitures discussed in this agreement occur within the agreed upon timeframes and that all proceeds are invested in non-conflicting assets.

I have been advised that this ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. § 552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with ethics agreements of other Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.

Sincerely,

David Shulkin





**From:** Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]

Sent: Friday, December 23, 2016 3:10 PM

**To:** D'Adamo, Gabrielle (HSGAC) **Subject:** RE: OGE documents

Probably 5:30, maybe later. Can you talk now?

From: D'Adamo, Gabrielle (HSGAC)

Sent: Friday, December 23, 2016 3:10 PM

**To:** Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: Re: OGE documents

Thank you, Sandy. What time will you be in the office until?

From: Sandra S. Mabry

Sent: Friday, December 23, 2016 2:45 PM

To: D'Adamo, Gabrielle (HSGAC) Cc: Hixon, Christopher (HSGAC) Subject: RE: OGE documents

Hi, Gabrielle, please give me a call at 202-482-9258. Thanks, Sandy

From: D'Adamo, Gabrielle (HSGAC)

**Sent:** Friday, December 23, 2016 12:15 PM **To:** Teresa L. Williamson; Sandra S. Mabry

**Cc:** Hixon, Christopher (HSGAC) **Subject:** OGE documents

Teresa and Sandra,

Good afternoon. I was hoping you could provide me with some information about when we can expect to receive OGE documents for two of our nominees.

The most immediate concern is General Kelly, who will be nominated to be DHS Secretary. In



the past, because of the nature of the agency and its national security mission, this position has been confirmed on the day of inauguration. We expect to do the same for this administration. HSGAC is holding a hearing on Jan. 11.

Rep. Mulvaney will be nominated to serve as OMB Director. We expect to hold his hearing on Jan. 18.

Could you let me know when we can expect to receive the required ethics documents, or if there is another individual I should contact in the office?

Thank you, Gabrielle

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From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Jim Robertson To: Subject: Question Date: Friday, January 06, 2017 4:07:53 PM Good, thank you, agree. ----Original Message-----From: Jim Robertson [mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov] Sent: Friday, January 6, 2017 4:06 PM To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Subject: RE Question Yasi, Thanks. Jim ----Original Message-----From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Sent: Friday, January 06, 2017 3:56 PM To: Jim Robertson Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Subject: Question Jim, You are going to talk to Keith and get back to me on the question of how we I would like to include it in my list of questions, I think we need more details. I am here late. Thank you! V/R, Yasi Yasaman Sutton Assistant General Counsel Office of Management and Budget work cell --- please do not hesitate to call if not at my desk



Please submit event attendance requests here:

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>
Subject: FW: Draft answers

**Date:** Monday, January 09, 2017 11:27:15 AM

Attachments: OGE-Supp1.docx

12 page attachment wi hheld in full - (b)(3), (4), (5), (6)

----Original Message-----

From: Mick Mulvaney

Sent: Friday, January 6, 2017 3:42 PM

To: Marcus Peacock >; Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: Draft answers

The yellow answers should be right. The red answers need either confirmation by me or an accurate cross-reference. IF there is no response I haven't gotten to it yet.

But I wanted to get this out ASAP. More tonight.

Thanks very much.

MM



From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Subject: FW: Congressman Mulvaney -- Nominee 278 -- INITIAL QUESTIONS FROM OGE

**Date:** Monday, January 09, 2017 11:46:26 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: Mick Mulvaney (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, January 6, 2017 2:45 PM To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Cc: Marcus Peacock >; (b)(6) - Emily Mailton's email address

Subject: Re: Congressman Mulvaney -- Nominee 278 -- INITIAL QUESTIONS FROM OGE

See my notes, below..still working on the larger document from earlier today:



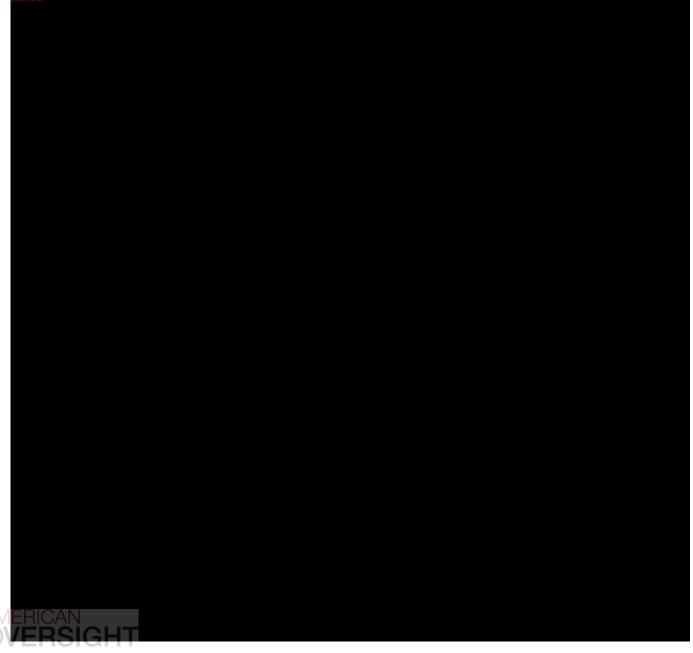


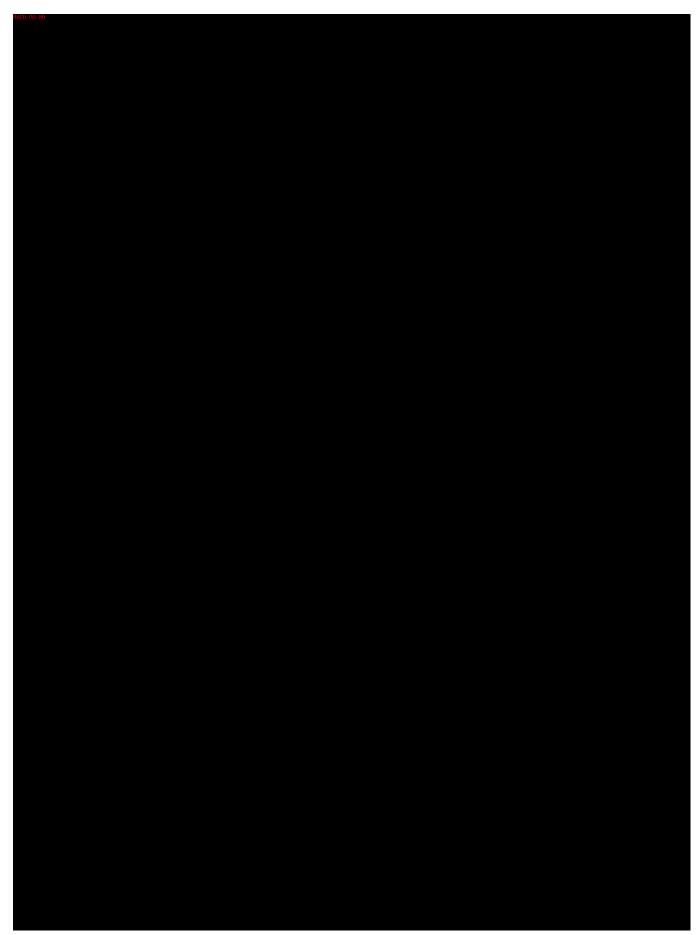
Thank you!					
V/R, Yasi					
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Thanks for sending over. These sho	ould all be manageable.				
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From: Jim Robertson [mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov] Sent: Thursday, January 5, 2017 4:21 PM

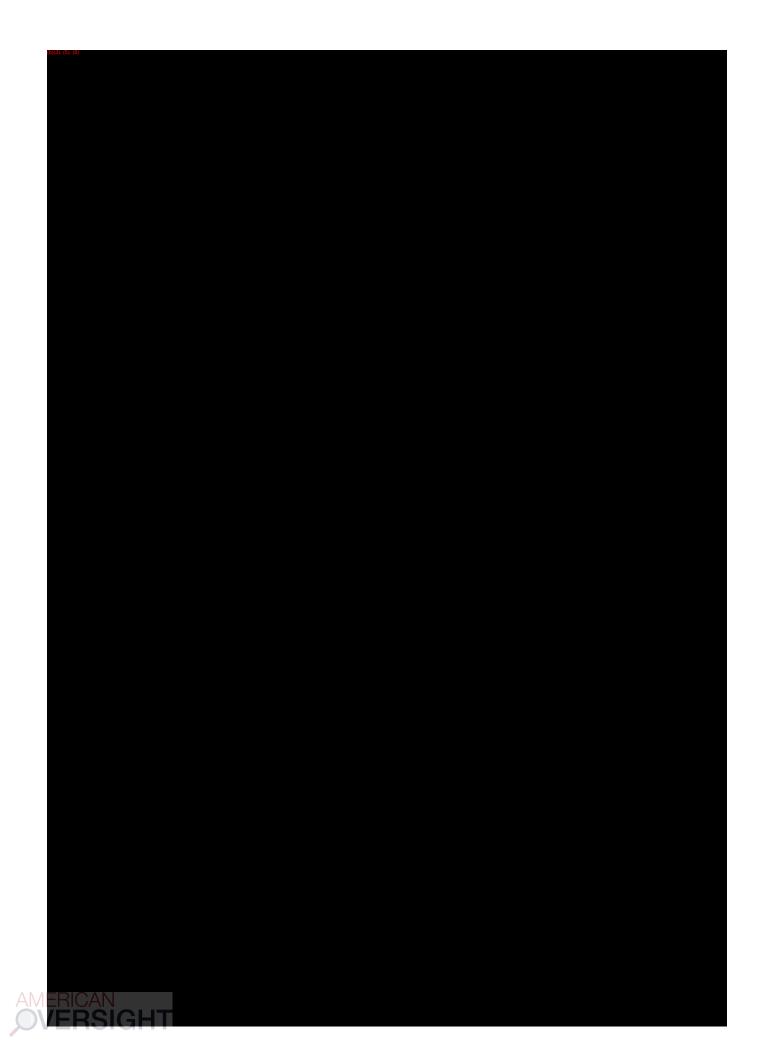
To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB < Subject: Mulvaney report	>
Hi Yassi -	
As promised, first round of question/comments for Congressman Mulvaney's report.	
Thanks,	
Jim	













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To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Cc: <u>Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB</u>

Subject: RE: Mulvaney Report

**Date:** Monday, January 09, 2017 12:50:43 PM

Jim,

Kindly the following for your action per our call.

Thank you! V/R, Yasi

**From:** Jim Robertson [mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov]

**Sent:** Monday, January 9, 2017 11:23 AM

**To:** Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB **Subject:** RE: Mulvaney Report

Hi Yasi -

Answers in blue, below.



Thanks

Thanks,

Jim

Jim Robertson

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-----Original Message-----

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Sent: Monday, January 09, 2017 10:14 AM

To: Jim Robertson

Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Subject: RE: Mulvaney Report

Good Morning, Jim --

Here are my questions for OGE/you, at this time, when we talk this morning.



Thank you!

VR,

Yasi

-----Original Message-----

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2017 11:42 PM To: Jim Robertson < <u>ifrobert@oge.gov</u>>

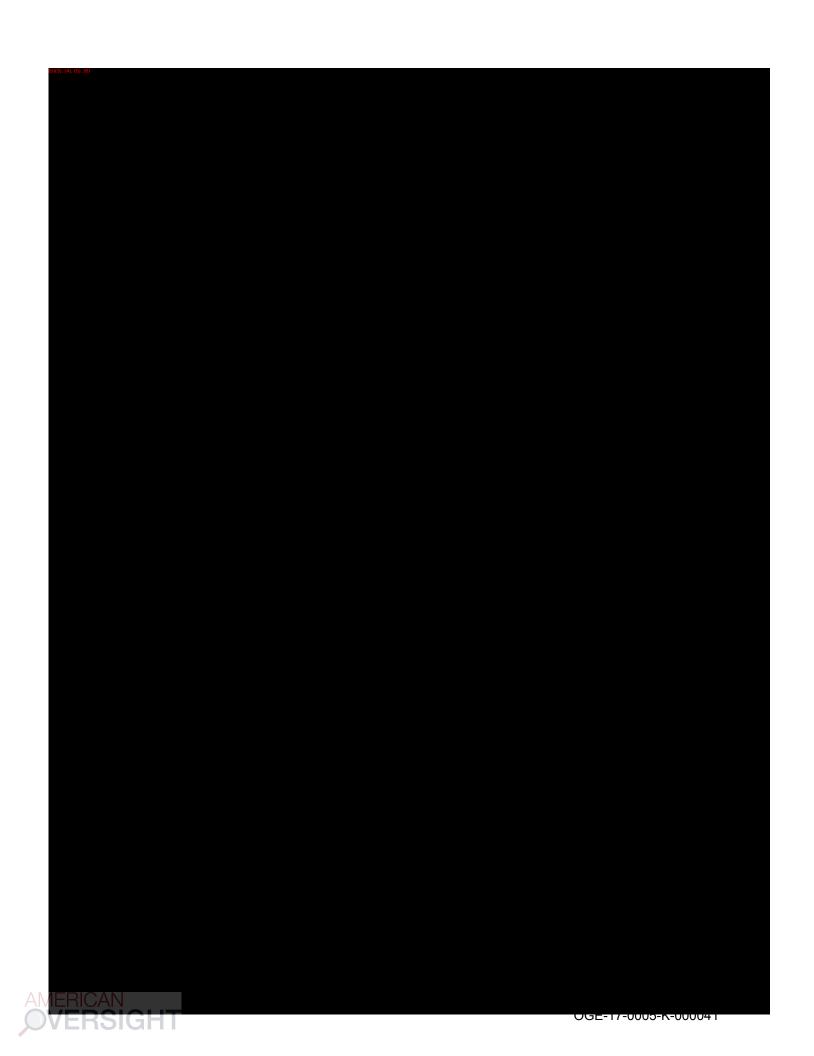
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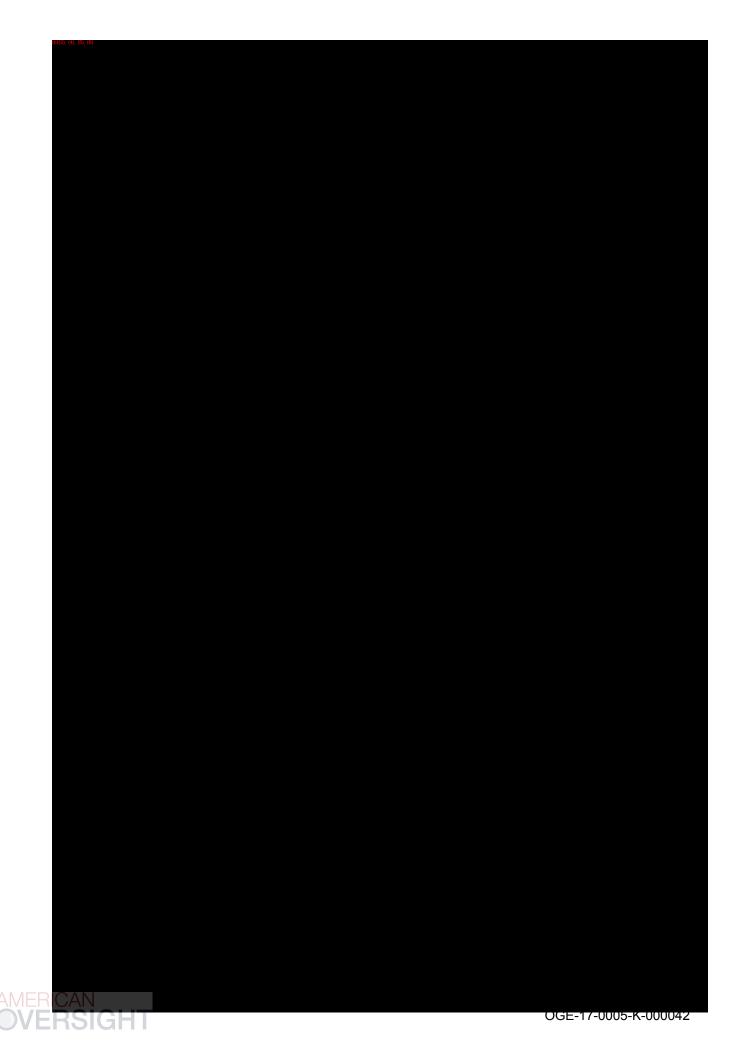
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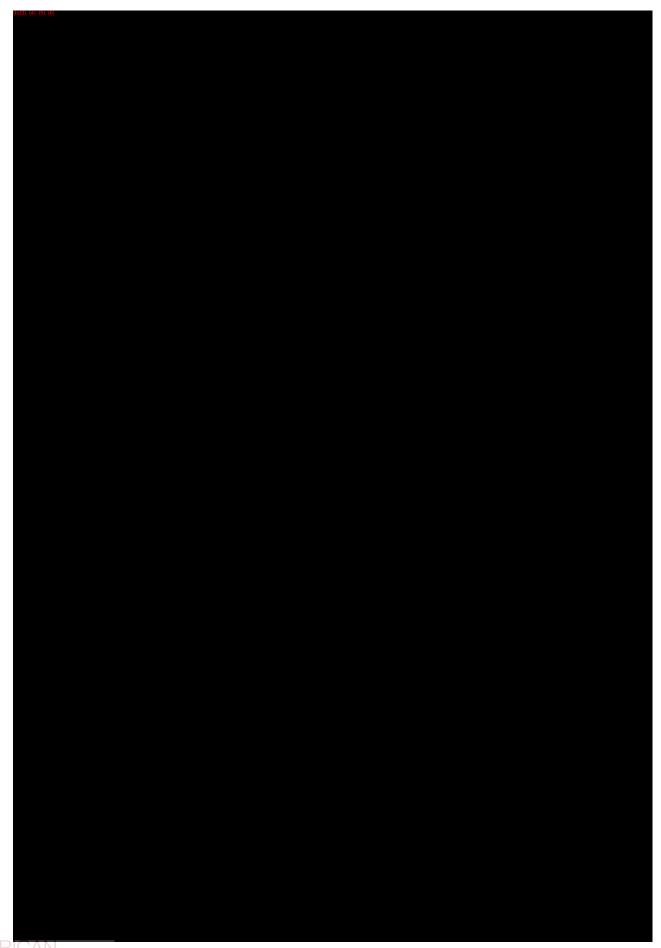
Jim,

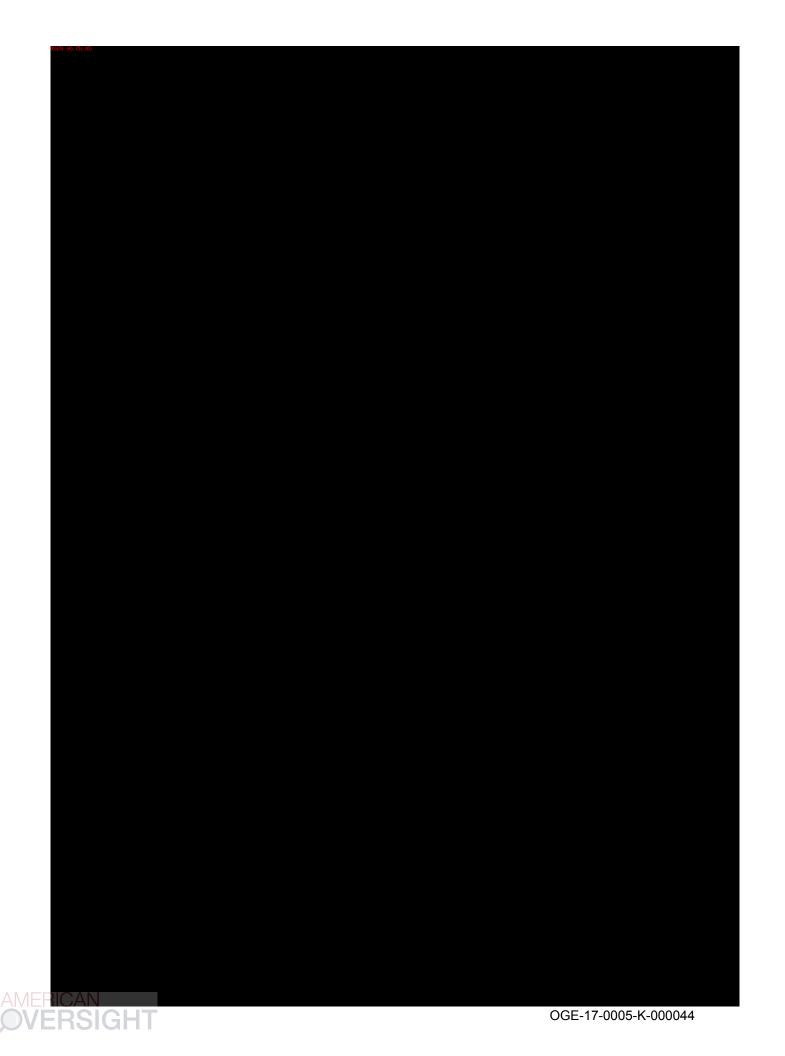
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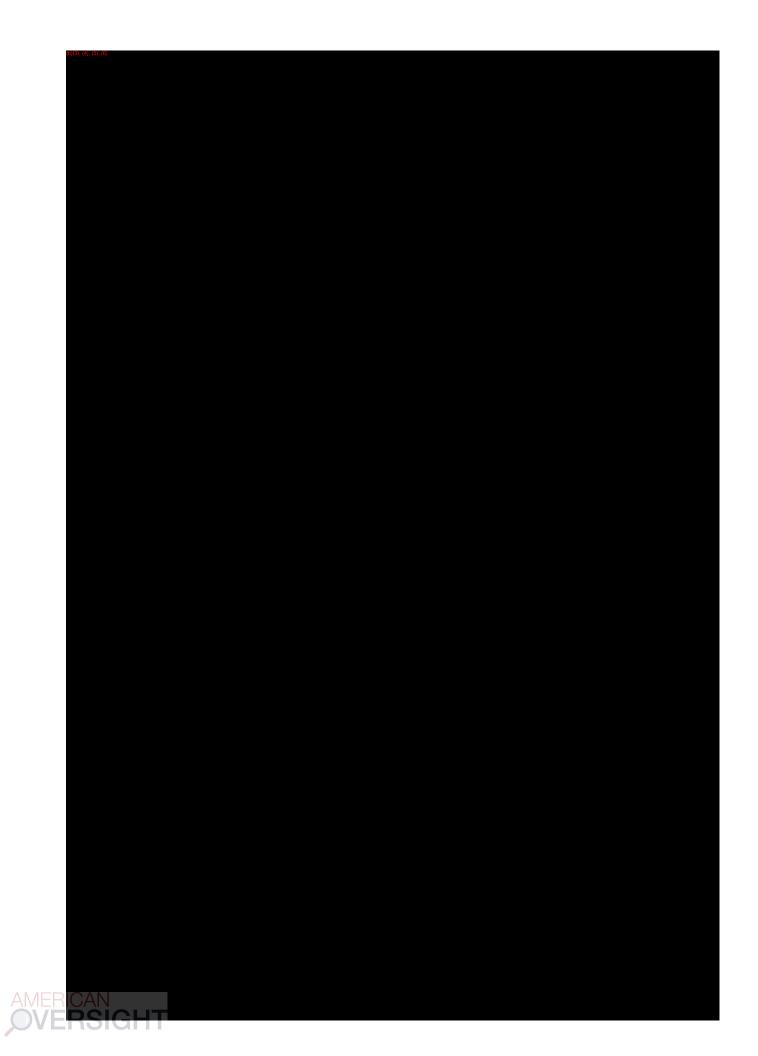














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To: Jim Robertson Subject: FW: (6)(3),

Date: Monday, January 09, 2017 3:53:05 PM

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----Original Message-----

From: Mick Mulvaney

Sent: Monday, January 9, 2017 3:49 PM

To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: Fwd: Importance: High

Hope this helps.

I am no free to chat by phone until 5 pm.

Thanks

MM



To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Subject: Fwd: End of Day Status

**Date:** Tuesday, January 10, 2017 10:06:53 AM

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I will update form momentarily

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mick Mulvaney (6) (6)

Date: January 9, 2017 at 7:04:06 PM EST To: "Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB"

Subject: Re: End of Day Status



I am leaving the office now, but please do not hesitate to reach me.

Thank you!

V/R, Yasi

Yasaman Sutton

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To: Jim Robertson
Subject: FW: O(0)(0)(0)

**Date:** Tuesday, January 10, 2017 11:26:19 AM

Please see below.

----Original Message-----

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Sent: Monday, January 9, 2017 4:39 PM

To: 'Mick Mulvaney'

Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: RE: (b)(3), (6)

Sir,



Thank you for your responsiveness and patience as we make sure we understand this and get everything!

V/R, Yasi





----Original Message-----

From: Mick Mulvaney
Sent: Monday, January 9, 2017 4:18 PM
To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: Re: (b)(3), (6)



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> Jim > > >

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To: Jim Robertson
Subject: FW (6)(8).

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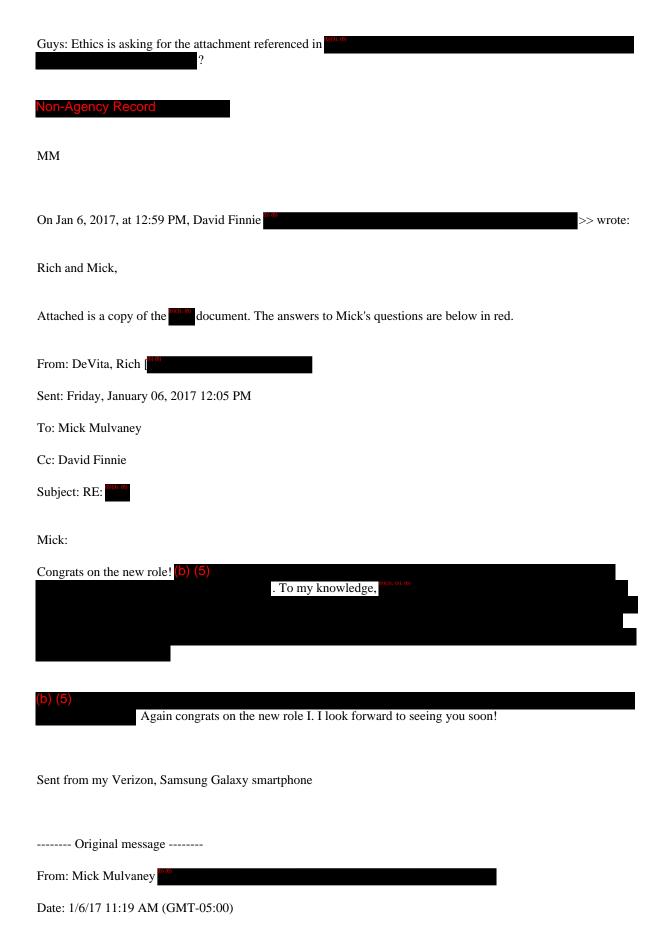
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wrote:

Her's all I have about Begin forwarded message: From: David Finnie Date: January 09, 2017 5:43:51 PM To: "DeVita, Rich" ,Mick Mulvaney Subject: RE: (b)(3), (6) Mick, From: DeVita, Rich Sent: Monday, January 09, 2017 4:57 PM To: Mick Mulvaney; David Finnie Subject: RE: Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone ----- Original message -----From: Mick Mulvaney Date: 1/9/17 4:47 PM (GMT-05:00) To: David Finnie Cc: "DeVita, Rich" Subject: Re:







To: "DeVita, Rich"
Subject: 600.00  Rich:
Hope all is well.
Non-Agency Record
As part of the paperwork, a few questions have arise about the I am hoping you can help me answer these:
Again, I hope these are easy. Time is apparently very tight.
But then again, what else is new?
Let me know, and thanks in advance.  MM



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To: Jim Robertson

Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
Subject: RE: report adjustment

Date: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 12:57:26 PM

Thank you.

The way you entered it looks good.

(b) (5)

----Original Message----

From: Jim Robertson [mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov] Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 12:52 PM

To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: report adjustment

Yasi,

Wanted to make this adjustment before I forgot about it (b) (5)

Let me know if that doesn't look right to you.

Thanks.

Jim

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To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Cc: <u>Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB</u>
Subject: RE: Mulvaney draft EA

**Date:** Tuesday, January 10, 2017 1:42:43 PM

Attachments: YS Edits -- Mulvaney -- DRAFT Ethics Agreement -- January 10, 2017 -- 1300.docx



My edits and additional comments are attached.

Thank you!

----Original Message----

From: Jim Robertson [mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov] Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 12:44 PM

To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: Mulvaney draft EA

EA attached, for your review.

No attachment found in search

Thanks,

Jim

Jim Robertson

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To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Cc: <u>Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB</u>

Subject: FW: Representative Mulvaney -- Nominee 278 -- FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS

Date: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 9:23:50 AM

Attachments: (b)(3), (6)

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Jim,

Making sure I sent these responses on your last round of questions.

Ready to talk when you are.

Thank you!

V/R, Yasi

----Original Message-----

From: Mick Mulvaney

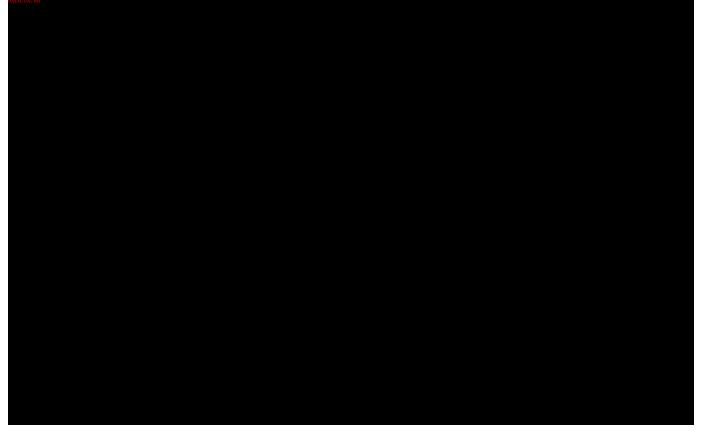
Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 9:17 PM

To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB (Marcus Peacock); Marcus Peacock

Subject: Re: Representative Mulvaney -- Nominee 278 -- FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS

See below:

A few follow up questions.







MM





From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
To: Cheryl L. Kane-Piasecki

Cc: <u>Jim Robertson</u>; <u>Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB</u>

Subject: RE: (b) (5)

**Date:** Wednesday, January 11, 2017 12:54:29 PM

Thank you -- (b) (5)

Thank you, again!

----Original Message-----

From: Cheryl L. Kane-Piasecki [mailto:clkanepi@oge.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 12:39 PM

To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Cc: Jim Robertson <jfrobert@oge.gov>

Subject: RE: (b) (5)

Yasi--

## (b) (5)

Thanks! Cheryl

----Original Message-----

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 11:54 AM

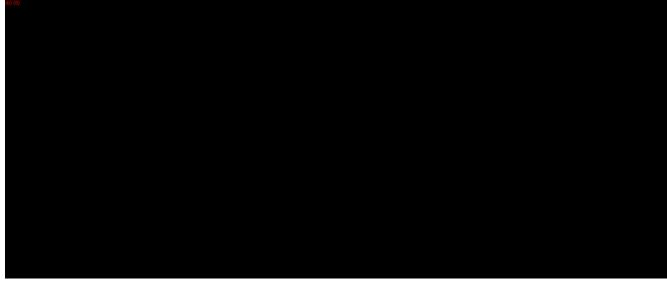
To: Cheryl L. Kane-Piasecki

Cc: Jim Robertson; Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: (b) (5)

Hi, Cheryl --

Two Things.



Thank you for helping me think ahead through this.

V/R, Yasi



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From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB To: Jim Robertson Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Subject: FW: Action Items (including an additional item) Date: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 2:45:28 PM Good to go on this proposed language. ----Original Message-----From: Mick Mulvaney Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 2:04 PM To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Subject: Re: Action Items (including an additional item) SEE BELOW: > Please also review this draft language for the Ethics Agreement. > -- Is this correct? THIS IS FINE. > Thank you. > V/R, Yasi > > > > -----Original Message-----



> From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB > Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 1:20 PM

> Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB <

> Subject: RE: Action Items (including an additional item)

> To: Mick Mulvaney

> -----Original Message-----

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> From: Mick Mulvaney
> Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 1:15 PM
> To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
> Subject: Re: Action Items (including an additional item)
> Docs to follow shortly.
> MM
>
>> On Jan 11, 2017, at 1:02 PM, Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
                                                                                                  wrote:
>>
>> Mick,
>>
>> Thank you for your call.
>> Where we are.
>>
>> 1 - Need House reports.
>> 2 - Need Senate questionnaires.
>> 3 - Please review report in Integrity.
>> 4 - EA is incoming.
>> 5 - Need date that
                                                          was formed.
>>
>> Thank you.
>>
>> V/R, Yasi
>>
>> Yasaman Sutton
>> Assistant General Counsel
>> Office of Management and Budget
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                 work cell --- please do not hesitate to call if not at my desk
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From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Jim Robertson To:

Re: Two Questions Date: Thursday, January 12, 2017 8:17:35 AM

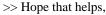
Are you in yet?

Subject:

Will call to discuss something.

and also get status of the review

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Sent from my iPhone
> On Jan 12, 2017, at 8:14 AM, Jim Robertson < jfrobert@oge.gov> wrote:
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> Jim Robertson
> Assistant Counsel
> General Counsel & Legal Policy Division
> U.S. Office of Government Ethics
> James robertson@oge.gov
> 202-482-9268
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
> Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 5:47 PM
> To: Jim Robertson
> Subject: Re: Two Questions
> What Is your desk number
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> Sent from my iPhone
>> On Jan 11, 2017, at 4:53 PM, Jim Robertson <jfrobert@oge.gov> wrote:
>> Yasi,
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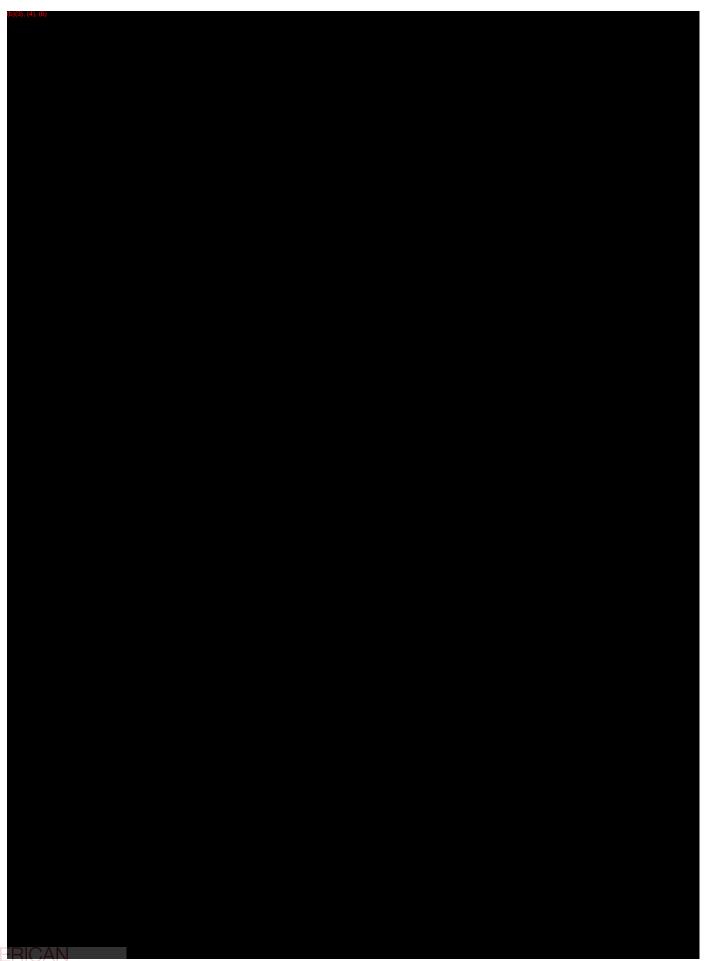


>> Jim

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>> Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 4:15 PM
>> To: Jim Robertson
>> Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
>> Subject: RE: Two Questions
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>> Correction,
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
>> Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 4:13 PM
>> To: Jim Robertson <jfrobert@oge.gov>
>> Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB <
>> Subject: Two Questions
>>
>> Jim,
>>
>> Left you a VM.
>> 1 - Did you ask Deb about the city and state for the
>> 2 - Did you ask Deb about how we can determine if the
                                                                                    ? In the meantime, I
will ask him to call the
>>
>> Thank you.
>>
>> V/R, Yasi
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To: Jim Robertson
Subject: Fwd: West

**Date:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 11:01:31 AM

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Begin forwarded message:

From: David Finnie Date: January 12, 2017 at 10:51:45 AM EST

To: "Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB"

Cc: Mick Mulvaney

>, Rich Devita

Subject: RE:

Ms. Sutton,



Thanks, David

----Original Message-----

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 10:07 AM

To: David Finnie

Cc: Mick Mulvaney; Rich Devita; Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: Re (b)(3), (6)

Sirs,

Thank you, all.

Mr. Finnie,

\_\_\_\_\_

I am available to talk, as well, if needed.

Thank you, again.

VR,

Yasi

On Jan 12, 2017, at 10:00 AM, David Finnie

>> wrote:



Mick,



David

----Original Message-----From: Mick Mulvaney

Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 9:12 AM

To: Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Sutton Cc: David Finnie; Rich Devita

Subject

Yasi:

Copied on this letter are my novel beyond my relatively rudimentary understanding of continue to act as a go-between on the topic is likely to only muddle things further.

Please fee free to reach out to them directly if you have any questions.

Gentlemen: (b) (5)

Thanks very much to all involved. Let me know if I can be of service.

Mick M.



To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
Subject: UPDATE on ORDING OF THE STATE OF THE STATE

**Date:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 1:39:20 PM

b) (5)

(0)(3), (0)

(b)(3), (6)

He will email me to that effect.

Thank you.

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To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Cc: <u>Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB</u>

Subject: FW:

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; David Finnie

Here you go!

----Original Message---From: DeVita, Rich
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 1:53 PM
To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Cc: Mick Mulvaney Subject: Sub

Yasi:



I hope this helps. Please let me know if you need further information.

Regards,

Rich DeVita

Richard A. DeVita

Principal

The Todd Organization

6235 Morrison Boulevard

Charlotte, NC 28211-3508

Ph. (b) (6)

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From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 12:58 PM
To: DeVita, Rich
                                       >; David Finnie
Cc: Mick Mulvaney
                                           >; Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
Subject: RE:
That's right, 1330. Thank you.
----Original Message----
From: DeVita, Rich
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 12:57 PM
To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
                                                                  >; David Finnie
Cc: Mick Mulvaney
Subject: RE
1:30 which would be 1330 please
Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
----- Original message -----
From: "Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB"
Date: 1/12/17 12:54 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "DeVita, Rich"
                                          David Finnie
Cc: Mick Mulvaney
                                              "Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB"
Subject: RE: ILIT
CONFIRMED for 1300 EST -- I will call you.
Thank you!!
----Original Message----
From: DeVita, Rich
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 12:51 PM
To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
                                                                  >; David Finnie
Cc: Mick Mulvaney
Subject: RE
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----Original Message----

Certainly, I am available at 1:30 at 1

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

------- Original message -------From: "Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB"

Date: 1/12/17 12:03 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: David Finnie

Cc: Mick Mulvaney

"DeVita, Rich"

"Sutton, Yasaman P.

EOP/OMB"

Subject: RE

Mr. Finnie - Thank you! Very helpful.

Mr. DeVita - Can I call you to discuss, if that will be easier?

Thank you, all, again.

V/R, Yasi

Yasaman Sutton
Assistant General Counsel
Office of Management and Budget
desk



To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Cc: <u>Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB</u>
Subject: RE: sector versus diversified

**Date:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 2:30:30 PM

Thank you.

I have an update we need to discuss. Developing.

(D)(3), (6)

----Original Message-----

From: Jim Robertson [mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov] Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 2:23 PM

To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB <

Subject: RE: sector versus diversified

Yes.

----Original Message-----

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 1:40 PM

To: Jim Robertson

Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Subject: RE: sector versus diversified

Thank you.

Did you confirm that

----Original Message-----

From: Jim Robertson [mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov] Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 1:28 PM

To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB < Subject: RE: sector versus diversified

Yasi,

The following funds are diversified:

Thanks,

Jim

----Original Message-----

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB [Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 9:36 AM

To: Jim Robertson

Subject: Re: sector versus diversified



## (b) (5), (b) (6)

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 12, 2017, at 9:23 AM, Jim Robertson < jfrobert@oge.gov<mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov>>> wrote:

Yasi,



Let me know what you think. Thanks,
Jim

Jim Robertson
Assistant Counsel
General Counsel & Legal Policy Division
U.S. Office of Government Ethics
James robertson@oge.gov<mailto:James.robertson@oge.gov>
202-482-9268

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From:
                   Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
                   Jim Robertson
To:
Subject:
                   Re: One More
Date:
                   Thursday, January 12, 2017 4:19:22 PM
Thank you
Sent from my iPhone
> On Jan 12, 2017, at 4:09 PM, Jim Robertson <jfrobert@oge.gov> wrote:
> Couple of tweaks to the report:
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
> Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 3:33 PM
> To: Jim Robertson
> Subject: RE: One More
> And the
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
> Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 3:29 PM
> To: Jim Robertson <jfrobert@oge.gov>
> Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB <
> Subject: RE: One More
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Jim Robertson [mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov]
> Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 3:28 PM
> To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB <
> Subject: RE: One More
> Jim
> -----Original Message-----
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Subject:
Date:
                   Thursday, January 12, 2017 4:27:22 PM
Thank you!
Sent from my iPhone
> On Jan 12, 2017, at 4:25 PM, Jim Robertson <jfrobert@oge.gov> wrote:
> Yes. Got it.
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
> Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 4:25 PM
> To: Jim Robertson
> Subject: Fwd:
> Are you in a position to enter these?
>
> Sent from my iPhone
> Begin forwarded message:
> From: "DeVita, Rich"
> Date: January 12, 2017 at 4:20:59 PM EST
> To: "Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB"
> Cc: Mick Mulvaney
> Subject: RE:
> Yasi:
> Please let me know if you need any further clarification.
> Regards,
> Rich
>
> Richard A. DeVita
> Principal
> The Todd Organization
> 6235 Morrison Boulevard
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From:

To:

Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Jim Robertson

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> Charlotte, NC 28211-3508
> Ph.
> Specialists in Executive Benefits since 1957
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
> Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 3:59 PM
> To: DeVita, Rich
> Cc: Mick Mulvaney
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EOP/OMB
> Subject:
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> Rich,
> Thank you, again.
> V/R, Yasi
> Yasaman Sutton
> Assistant General Counsel
> Office of Management and Budget
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To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>
Subject: Re: Update

**Date:** Friday, January 13, 2017 11:19:33 AM

Thank you

## Sent from my iPhone

- > On Jan 13, 2017, at 11:10 AM, Jim Robertson <jfrobert@oge.gov> wrote:
- > OGE cannot release ethics materials to the senate committees until the PTT authorizes that release. Once OGE preclears, that decision to send to Senate will happen on PTT timeline.
- > I'm not aware of any OGE paperwork that needs to be notorized. Can't speak to the senate questionnaire or other documents he is required to submit.

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> It appears from his answer below that this is a doable arrangement/commitment.
> Jim
> Jim Robertson
> Assistant Counsel
> General Counsel & Legal Policy Division
> U.S. Office of Government Ethics
> James robertson@oge.gov
> 202-482-9268
>
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
> Sent: Friday, January 13, 2017 11:00 AM
> To: Jim Robertson
> Subject: Fwd: Update
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> Sent from my iPhone
> Begin forwarded message:
> From: Mick Mulvaney <
> Date: January 13, 2017 at 10:58:43 AM EST
> To: "Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB"
> Subject: Re: Update
> Yes on the
                           that, so we should be good.
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> One question for you: do you have a feel fro when we will have an EA that we can sen to the committees, and on
a related topic: will I need to notarize anything that you send me on the 278 or the EA?
> MM
> On Jan 13, 2017, at 10:54 AM, Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
                                                                               > wrote:
> Thank you.
>
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Mick Mulvaney
> Sent: Friday, January 13, 2017 10:26 AM
> To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
> Subject: Re: Update
> Where does that leave us?
> MM
>
>
>
> On Jan 13, 2017, at 10:21 AM, Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB
                                                                              >> wrote:
> Sir,
> At this time, there are two outstanding issues:
> The report is ready for you to look at to confirm accuracy or to raise any questions.
> Your EA (which I have not seen since the initial first draft, although we have had follow-on discussions) is being
prepared for the OGE Director's review. From there, you are in pre clearance.
> V/R, Yasi
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>
> Yasaman Sutton
> Assistant General Counsel
> Office of Management and Budget
> desk
work cell please do not hesitate to call if not at my desk
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To: Jim Robertson

**Subject:** any updates? EA soon?

**Date:** Friday, January 13, 2017 2:31:39 PM

Yasaman Sutton Assistant General Counsel Office of Management and Budget



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To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Subject: we are going to make changes to 278 now Date: Friday, January 13, 2017 4:37:17 PM

Yasaman Sutton Assistant General Counsel Office of Management and Budget



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To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Subject:workign changes with nominee -- sit tightDate:Friday, January 13, 2017 4:40:19 PM

Yasaman Sutton Assistant General Counsel Office of Management and Budget

desk

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To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Cc: <u>Deborah J. Bortot</u>; <u>Heather A. Jones</u>; <u>Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB</u>

Subject: RE: weekend correspondence

Date: Friday, January 13, 2017 5:12:09 PM

Dear Deb, Heather, and Jim --

Thank you all for your work on this.

Finalized 278 for our side is in Integrity.

#### (b) (5)

Standing by for any questions or changes from OGE.

Thank you, again!

V/R, Yasi

Cell, (6) (6)

Yasaman Sutton

Assistant General Counsel

Office of Management and Budget

desk

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----Original Message-----

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Sent: Friday, January 13, 2017 5:04 PM To: Jim Robertson <jfrobert@oge.gov>

Cc: Deborah J. Bortot <djbortot@oge.gov>; Heather A. Jones <hajones@oge.gov>; Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: RE: weekend correspondence

On the phone with nominee and finalizing 278 changes.

Thank you!

----Original Message-----

From: Jim Robertson [mailto:jfrobert@oge.gov]

Sent: Friday, January 13, 2017 4:35 PM

To: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Cc: Deborah J. Bortot <djbortot@oge.gov>; Heather A. Jones <hajones@oge.gov>

Subject: weekend correspondence

Yasi,



I've added Deb and Heather on cc. Please include them on correspondence over the weekend. They can preclear when they hear from you that the Congressman is ready to go with his EA and 278.

Or work through any last-minute issues if the Congressman has adjustments.

Thanks,

Jim

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From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

To: Deborah J. Bortot; Jim Robertson

Subject: FW: PRECLEARED: John Michael Mulvaney

Date: Friday, January 13, 2017 6:48:50 PM

Date: Friday, January 13, 2017 6:48:50 PM
Attachments: EA for preclearance Mulvaney signed 170113 7pm.pdf

Final EA released below

From: Marcus Peacock
Sent: Friday, January 13, 2017 6:44 PM
To: James Carroll
Cc: Mick Mulvaney

Subject: Re: PRECLEARED: John Michael Mulvaney

Attached is the Ethics Agreement signed by Mr. Mulvaney.

On Fri, Jan 13, 2017 at 6:34 PM, Marcus Peacock < Street, Stre

Jim,

The OMB Ethics Officer has informed us that OGE has cleared our 278 and Ethics Agreement for Congressman Mulvaney. Mr. Mulvaney is in the process of signing the Ethics Agreement and the 278 (I will be assisting him with the latter). I understand PTT has to request OGE release the documents to the Senate. What do you understand to be the next step in this process and what do I need to do to make it happen?

Marcus

On Fri, Jan 13, 2017 at 6:22 PM, Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB > wrote:

SIR,

PRECLEARED ETHICS AGREEMENT ATTACHED FOR YOUR SIGNATURE!

PLEASE SIGN AND SEND BACK TO ME.

NO CHANGES TO YOUR 278.

STANDING BY FOR YOUR SIGNATURE ON THE ATTACHED.

THANK YOU!

VR, YASI



To: <u>Jim Robertson</u>

Cc: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: Q re EA

**Date:** Friday, January 13, 2017 7:02:04 PM

Jim,

The DAEO is off boarding next Tuesday and off the books next Thursday.

Should her name be on the EA if she's not the DAEO at the time I sign the 278?

Thank you!

VR,

Yasi

Sent from my iPhone



From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Deborah J. Bortot To: Cc: Jim Robertson; Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB RE: PRECLEARED: John Michael Mulvaney Subject: Date: Saturday, January 14, 2017 12:13:36 PM Deb, Our nominee's PTT handler is telling me that (1) OGE has been given permission by the PTT to release the forms to the Senate and that (2) they have people on the Budget Committee who are awaiting the documents both from OGE and by hand delivery from the PTT. I understand and have explained my understanding that OGE will notify me to notify the nominee when OGE is clear to release the 278 for final certification and reviews. Please advise. Standing by to talk, if that is preferred, Thank you! V/R, Yasi ----Original Message-----From: Deborah J. Bortot [mailto:djbortot@oge.gov] Sent: Friday, January 13, 2017 6:16 PM To: 'Ann M Donaldson' Cc: Jim Robertson < jfrobert@oge.gov>; David J. Apol < djapol@oge.gov>; Heather A. Jones < hajones@oge.gov>; Sandra S. Mabry <ssmabry@oge.gov>; Keith Labedz <klabedz@oge.gov>; Teresa L. Williamson Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Subject: PRECLEARED: John Michael Mulvaney Annie, John Michael Mulvaney is precleared.

Jim, please forward the ethics agreement to Annie.

Thanks!

Deb

Deborah J. Bortot

Chief, Presidential Nominations Branch

U.S. Office of Government Ethics



From: Deborah J. Bortot

To: Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: RE: Representative John Michael Mulvaney
Date: Saturday, January 14, 2017 12:37:17 PM

The committee is asking for the paperwork, but the filer still has to sign. It sounds like the agency will be signing around 3:00 today

From: Teresa L. Williamson

Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 12:31 PM

To: Deborah J. Bortot

Subject: Re: Representative John Michael Mulvaney

Deb - I will check in when I get home if you need me to send the package to the Senate

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Deborah J. Bortot

Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 12:10 PM

To: Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: Fw: Representative John Michael Mulvaney

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Ann M Donaldson <

**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 9:34 PM **To:** Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones

**Subject:** Representative John Michael Mulvaney

On behalf of the President-Elect, this email serves as confirmation that the President-Elect intends to nominate Representative John Michael Mulvaney to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget. Please transmit his pre-cleared 278 report to the appropriate Senate committee.

Ann M. Donaldson Associate

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From: Deborah J. Bortot
To: David J. Apol
Subject: Mulvaney

**Date:** Saturday, January 14, 2017 12:42:38 PM

PTT has authorized us to forward the paperwork to the committee. We are getting a lot of pressure to get the final paperwork to the committee. I am working with Yasi to get the filer and OMB to do the final submission. I'll reach out to Walt about certifying in Integrity once the filer and agency certify. Teresa is on her way to visit evaluate the paperwork to the committee.



To: Walter M. Shaub

Cc: Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones; Jim Robertson; Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB

Subject: Representative Mulvaney -- Nominee for OMB Director -- Ethics Agreement & Transmittal Note

**Date:** Saturday, January 14, 2017 2:28:49 PM

Attachments: Mulvaney -- Signed Ethics Agreement -- January 13, 2017.pdf

Dear Walt,

Attachments released below

I have reviewed and certified in Integrity the Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e), dated January 14, 2017, submitted by Representative John Michael Mulvaney, in connection with President-Elect Trump's intent to nominate him to serve as Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Attached please find the Ethics Agreement, dated January 13, 2017, from Representative Mulvaney specifying certain actions that he will take in connection with ethics matters, if confirmed as Director.

Based on my review of Representative Mulvaney's OGE Form 278e and the attached Ethics Agreement, it is my opinion, in consultation with OGE, that the report is complete and discloses no conflicts of interest under applicable laws and regulations.

I will transmit a signed version of this letterhead to you on Tuesday.

Please do not hesitate to reach me with any questions or concerns,

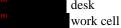
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Thank you to you and your team for your assistance, as always.

Very Respectfully Submitted,

Yasi

Yasaman Sutton
Assistant General Counsel
Office of Management and Budget
desk





From: <u>Deborah J. Bortot</u>

To: (b)(6) - Yasaman Sutton's email address

**Subject:** FW: We are ready to send Rep. Mulvaney sign his documents

**Date:** Saturday, January 14, 2017 7:15:20 PM

From: Heather A. Jones

Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 9:57 AM

To: 'Sutton, Yasaman'

Cc: Jim Robertson; Deborah J. Bortot; Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: We are ready to send Rep. Mulvaney sign his documents

#### Yasi-

Please ask Rep. Mulvaney to sign his ethics agreement and certify his report in Integrity. Once OMB has signed off, please send the EA and the DAEO letter Jim, Deb, and myself and we will move it forward in OGE for signature and send to the Senate.

Thanks, Heather

Heather Jones (202) 482-9316 Office of Government Ethics

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Walter M. Shaub To:

Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones; Jim Robertson; Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Cc:

Representative Mulvaney -- Nominee for OMB Director -- Ethics Agreement & Formal Retransmittal Note Subject:

Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2017 9:52:11 AM

Attachments: Mulvaney -- OMB Transmittal Letter & EA to OGE.pdf

Dear Walt,

Attached is the formal retransmittal note under letterhead, with the EA attached, in connection with the nomination of Representative Mulvaney for OMB Director.

Thank you, again!

V/R. Yasi

Yasaman Sutton Assistant General Counsel Office of Management and Budget

desk work cell

----Original Message-----

From: Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 2:28 PM To: Walter M. Shaub < wmshaub@oge.gov>

Cc: Deborah J. Bortot <djbortot@oge.gov>; Heather A. Jones <hajones@oge.gov>; Jim Robertson <ifrobert@oge.gov>; Sutton, Yasaman P. EOP/OMB <</pre>

Subject: Representative Mulvaney -- Nominee for OMB Director -- Ethics Agreement & Transmittal Note

Dear Walt,

I have reviewed and certified in Integrity the Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e), dated January 14, 2017, submitted by Representative John Michael Mulvaney, in connection with President-Elect Trump's intent to nominate him to serve as Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

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Based on my review of Representative Mulvaney's OGE Form 278e and the attached Ethics Agreement, it is my opinion, in consultation with OGE, that the report is complete and discloses no conflicts of interest under applicable laws and regulations.

I will transmit a signed version of this letterhead to you on Tuesday.

Please do not hesitate to reach me with any questions or concerns, (b) (6)

Thank you to you and your team for your assistance, as always.

Very Respectfully Submitted,

Yasi

Yasaman Sutton



From: <u>Teresa L. Williamson</u>
To: <u>Deborah J. Bortot</u>

Subject: RE: Public Financial Disclosure Report John Michael Mulvaney

**Date:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 10:27:04 AM

Deb, I called and emailed the Budget committee – this is taken care of. Thanks

From: Deborah J. Bortot

Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 6:06 PM

To: Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: FW: Public Financial Disclosure Report John Michael Mulvaney

inal EA and final senate letter released below.
78 financial disclosure report withheld in full - (b)
3) - Available at https://extapps2.oge.gov/201/
residen.nsf/PAS%20Index?OpenView

Could you arrange for the Senate Rider page to pick up the paperwork?

From: Proctor, Kimberly (Budget) [

Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 5:43 PM

**To:** Deborah J. Bortot **Cc:** Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: FW: Public Financial Disclosure Report John Michael Mulvaney

Final EA and final senate letter released below 178 financial disclosure report withheld in full b)(3) - Available at https:// ixtapps2.oge.gov/201/Presiden.nsf/PAS% t0Index?OpenView

Deborah, hope you are well. I was wondering if it wouldn't be possible to deliver the original copies of Mr. Mulvaney's OGE letter and the original copy of the SF278? Adam is no longer with the committee and unfortunately we weren't aware of an agreement for us to pick up these documents. Please let us know if this is possible. Any help that you could give concerning this would be greatly appreciated. My direct line is

Kim Proctor Chief Clerk Senate Budget Committee

From: Deborah J. Bortot

Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 3:31 PM

To: (D)(6) - Adam Kamp's email address
(D)(6) - Yasaman Sutton's email address

; Teresa L. Williamson; Rodrick T. Johnson; Heather A. Jones;

'Ann M Donaldson'; Sandra S. Mabry; Emory A. Rounds III; David J. Apol **Subject:** Public Financial Disclosure Report John Michael Mulvaney

Good Afternoon,

financial disclosure report withheld in full - (b)(3) Available at https://extapps2.oge.gov/201/
Presiden.nsf/PAS%20Index?OpenView

I've attached the financial disclosure package for John Michael Mulvaney. President-Elect Trump has announced his intention to nominate Representative Mulvaney for the position of Director, Office of Management and Budget.

The hard copy of the attached documents will be placed at OGE reception for pick up by a Senate rider page per our agreement. If you have any questions, please contact Teresa Williamson @ 202-482-9283.



Please respond to this message to confirm receipt of the attached package, and please let me know in your response whether you will send a Senate rider page.

Thanks!

Deborah J. Bortot Chief, Presidential Nominations Branch U.S. Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Ave., NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005-3917 Telephone: (202) 482-9227

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The Honorable Michael Enzi Chairman Committee on the Budget United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, I enclose a copy of the financial disclosure report filed by John Michael Mulvaney. President-Elect Trump has announced his intention to nominate Mr. Mulvaney for the position of Director, Office of Management and Budget.

We have reviewed the report and have obtained advice from the agency concerning any possible conflict in light of its functions and the nominee's proposed duties. Also enclosed is an ethics agreement outlining the actions that the nominee will undertake to avoid conflicts of interest. Unless a date for compliance is indicated in the ethics agreement, the nominee must fully comply within three months of confirmation with any action specified in the ethics agreement.

Based thereon, we believe that this nominee is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations governing conflicts of interest.

Sincerely,

Walter M. Shaub, Jr.

Director

Enclosures



13 January 2017

Ms. Ilona Cohen Designated Agency Ethics Official Office of Management and Budget Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Cohen:

The purpose of this letter is to describe the steps that I will take to avoid any actual or apparent conflict of interest in the event that I am confirmed for the position of Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

As required by 18 U.S.C. § 208(a), I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter in which I know that I have a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, or in which I know that a person whose interests are imputed to me has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2). I understand that the interests of the following persons are imputed to me: any spouse or minor child of mine; any general partner of a partnership in which I am a limited or general partner; any organization in which I serve as officer, director, trustee, general partner or employee; and any person or organization with which I am negotiating or have an arrangement concerning prospective employment.

I formed a holding company doing business as The Mulvaney Company, Inc., to hold and manage real estate investments. Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position as President of this entity but my spouse will continue to operate it. I will continue to have a financial interest in this entity, but I will not provide services material to the production of income. Instead, I will receive only passive investment income from it. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of The Mulvaney Company, Inc., unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1).

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position as managing member of MP/Collins Road, LLC, but my spouse will continue to operate it. I will continue to have a financial interest in this entity, but I will not provide services material to the production of income. Instead, I will receive only passive investment income from it. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of MP/Collins Road, LLC, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(l).

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position as trustee of the Irrevocable Life Insurance Trust. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to



my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of this trust, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 208(b)(2).

I will retain my positions as trustee of the three education trusts for my dependent children. I will not receive any fees for the services that I provide as a trustee during my appointment to the position of Director of OMB. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of these trusts, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 208(b)(2).

Within 90 days of confirmation, I will divest my interests in the entities listed below. With regard to each of these entities, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of the entity until I have divested it, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2).

- 1. Alerian MLP ETF (AMLP)
- 2. Adams Natural Resources Fund (PEO)
- 3. Central Fund of Canada (CEF)
- 4. DB Agriculture Fund (DBA)
- 5. Duff and Phelps Global Utility Income Fund (DPG)
- 6. First Trust National Gas ETF (FCG)
- 7. Global X Uranium ETF (URA)
- 8. Gold Miners Equity ETF (GDX)
- 9. iShares U.S. Medical Devices ETF (IHI)
- 10. iShares U.S. Pharmaceutical ETF (IHE)
- 11. iShares U.S. Utilities ETF (IDU)
- 12. Powershares Dynamic Oil and Gas Services ETF (PXJ)
- 13. Powershares Water Resources Portfolio (PHO)
- 14. ProShares Ultra Short Euro (EUO)
- 15. U.S. Global Jets Fund ETF (JETS)
- 16. Van Eck International Investors Gold Fund A (INIVX)
- 17. Van Eck Vectors Junior Gold Miners ETF (GDXJ)
- 18. Van Eck Vectors Rare Earth/Strategic Metals ETF (REMX)

I understand that I may be eligible to request a Certificate of Divestiture for qualifying assets and that a Certificate of Divestiture is effective only if obtained prior to divestiture. Regardless of whether I receive a Certificate of Divestiture, I will ensure that all divestitures discussed in this agreement occur within the agreed upon timeframes and that all proceeds are invested in non-conflicting assets.

I have been advised that this ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. § 552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with ethics agreements of other Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.



Sincerely,

John Michael Mulvaney





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725 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW
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January 18, 2017

Walter M. Shaub, Jr.
Director
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Suite 500
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Dear Mr. Shaub:

This is a formal re-transmittal under letterhead of the following information which was originally submitted to your office by email on January 14, 2017.

I have reviewed the Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e) (dated January 14, 2017), submitted by Representative John Michael Mulvaney, in connection with President-Elect Trump's intent to nominate him to serve as Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Enclosed is a letter from Representative Mulvaney that specifies certain actions that he will take in connection with ethics matters if confirmed as Secretary.

Based on my review of Representative Mulvaney's OGE Form 278e and the enclosed letter, it is my opinion that the report is complete and discloses no conflicts of interest under applicable laws and regulations.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach me at 202-395-7535.

Very Respectfully,

Yasaman Sutton

Assistant General Counsel and

Alternate Designated Agency Ethics Official

Enclosure (as stated)





From: Teresa L. Williamson [mailto:tlwillia@oge.gov] Sent: Thursday, December 22, 2016 11:08 AM

To: Heller, Susan; Waters, Mike

**Subject:** RE: Points of Contact for Nominee Packages

Importance: High

Good Morning Susan and Mike,

I just wanted to check back with you on who will be the points of contact during the holidays.

Thanks! Teresa

From: Teresa L. Williamson

Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2016 2:00 PM

To: 'Heller, Susan'; Waters, Mike

**Subject:** Points of Contact for Nominee Packages

**Importance:** High Good Afternoon,

I hope you are both doing well. We want to make sure we have a point of contact during the holidays on any new nominees that come in. Would you please provide contact information for staff from your office that will be working on the nominee packages over the next few weeks.



Thanks!
Teresa
Teresa Williamson
Presidential Nominations Branch
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From: Stephanie Nonluecha
To: "Heller, Susan"
Subject: Nom Report

**Date:** Tuesday, December 27, 2016 7:31:53 PM

Attachments: <u>Initial questions for filer.docx</u>

Importance: High

Susan,

I'm attaching my first-round review questions and comments for General Kelly's nominee 278. Please let me know if you want to discuss.

Best,

## **Stephanie Nonluecha**

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From: Stephanie Nonluecha
To: "Heller, Susan"
Subject: RE: Gen Kelly

**Date:** Friday, December 30, 2016 11:24:35 AM



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From: Stephanie Nonluecha

Sent: Friday, December 30, 2016 11:06 AM

To: 'Heller, Susan' Subject: RE: Gen Kelly

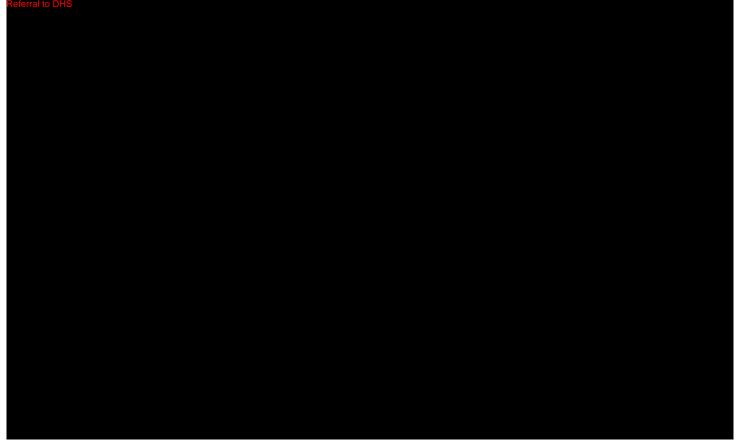
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From: Stephanie Nonluecha

**Sent:** Friday, December 30, 2016 10:38 AM

To: 'Heller, Susan' Subject: RE: Gen Kelly

Also need its location, city and state.



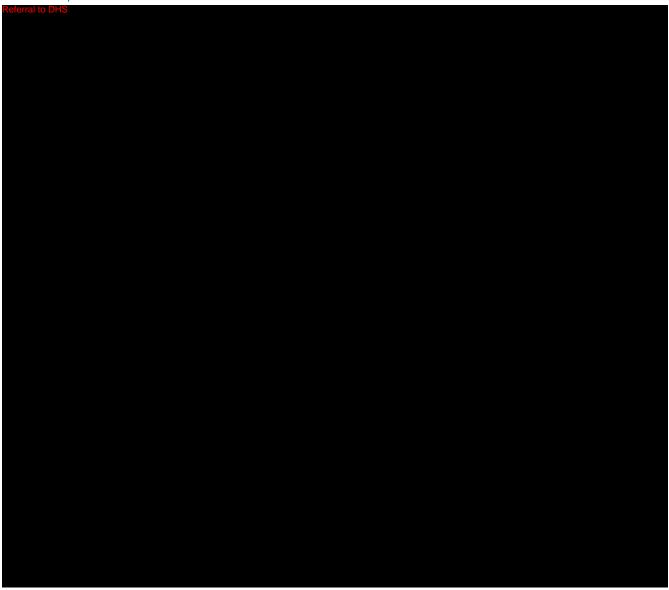
From: Stephanie Nonluecha

**Sent:** Thursday, December 29, 2016 4:28:47 PM

To: Heller, Susan Subject: RE: Gen Kelly



Susan,			
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Stephanie			



From: Stephanie Nonluecha [mailto:snonlue@oge.gov]

Sent: Thursday, December 29, 2016 2:25 PM

To: Heller, Susan (b) (6)

Subject: RE: Gen Kelly





From: Stephanie Nonluecha Sent: Thursday, December 29, 2016 11:55:28 AM

To: Heller, Susan Subject: RE: Gen Kelly

Ok. I'll look it over and call you later today.



 From:
 Emory A. Rounds III

 To:
 Stephanie Nonluecha

 Subject:
 RE: CHECK-IN

**Date:** Tuesday, January 03, 2017 2:27:36 PM

### THANKS!

From: Stephanie Nonluecha

Sent: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 2:27 PM

**To:** Emory A. Rounds III **Subject:** RE: CHECK-IN

Hi Emory,

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After which, the General will be asked to review both the updated 278 and draft EA for accuracy. This one should be ready for preclearance in a day or two.

# Stephanie

From: Emory A. Rounds III

Sent: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 1:13 PM

To: Stephanie Nonluecha Subject: CHECK-IN

Good afternoon!

Just checking in on Kelly.

Thanks!

**Emory** 



From: D"Adamo, Gabrielle (HSGAC)

To: Sandra S. Mabry
Subject: RE: OGE documents

**Date:** Tuesday, January 03, 2017 3:41:37 PM

### Hi Sandra,

I just left you a voicemail. Do you have any status update on Gen. Kelly's OGE documents you could share with me? I'm told the documents were released to OGE by the transition team on the 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>. We are holding a hearing on the 11<sup>th</sup>, and hoping to get the OGE documents by the end of this week.

Thanks, Gabrielle

From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]

Sent: Friday, December 23, 2016 3:10 PM

**To:** D'Adamo, Gabrielle (HSGAC) **Subject:** RE: OGE documents

Probably 5:30, maybe later. Can you talk now?

From: D'Adamo, Gabrielle (HSGAC) (b) (6) Sent: Friday, December 23, 2016 3:10 PM

**To:** Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: Re: OGE documents

Thank you, Sandy. What time will you be in the office until?

From: Sandra S. Mabry

Sent: Friday, December 23, 2016 2:45 PM

To: D'Adamo, Gabrielle (HSGAC) Cc: Hixon, Christopher (HSGAC) Subject: RE: OGE documents

Hi, Gabrielle, please give me a call at 202-482-9258. Thanks, Sandy

From: D'Adamo, Gabrielle (HSGAC) (6) Sent: Friday, December 23, 2016 12:15 PM To: Teresa L. Williamson; Sandra S. Mabry

**Cc:** Hixon, Christopher (HSGAC) **Subject:** OGE documents

Teresa and Sandra,

Good afternoon. I was hoping you could provide me with some information about when we can expect to receive OGE documents for two of our nominees.

The most immediate concern is General Kelly, who will be nominated to be DHS Secretary. In



the past, because of the nature of the agency and its national security mission, this position has been confirmed on the day of inauguration. We expect to do the same for this administration. HSGAC is holding a hearing on Jan. 11.

Rep. Mulvaney will be nominated to serve as OMB Director. We expect to hold his hearing on Jan. 18.

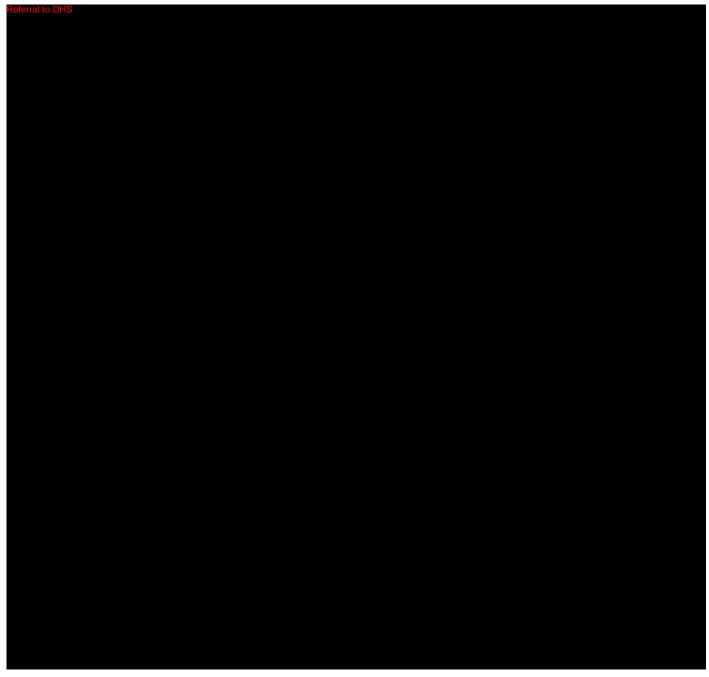
Could you let me know when we can expect to receive the required ethics documents, or if there is another individual I should contact in the office?

Thank you, Gabrielle

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**From:** Stephanie Nonluecha [mailto:snonlue@oge.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, January 3, 2017 2:05 PM

**To:** Heller, Susan

**Subject:** RE: Initial Questions: Nominee Financial Disclosure Report

Susan,

Please see draft EA attached.

Stephanie

From: Stephanie Nonluecha

Sent: Friday, December 30, 2016 6:19 PM

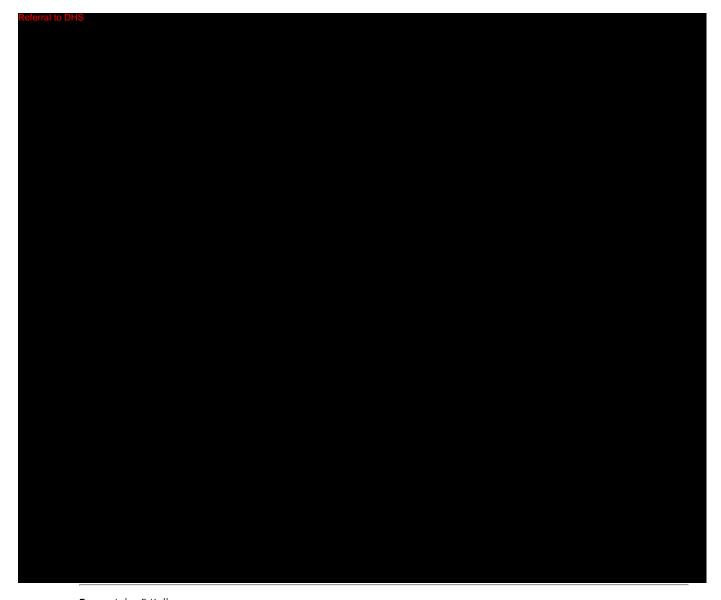
To: 'Heller, Susan'

**Subject:** RE: Initial Questions: Nominee Financial Disclosure Report

Tuesday it is. Happy New Year!

Stephanie





From: John F Kelly

**Sent:** Friday, December 30, 2016 4:52:59 PM

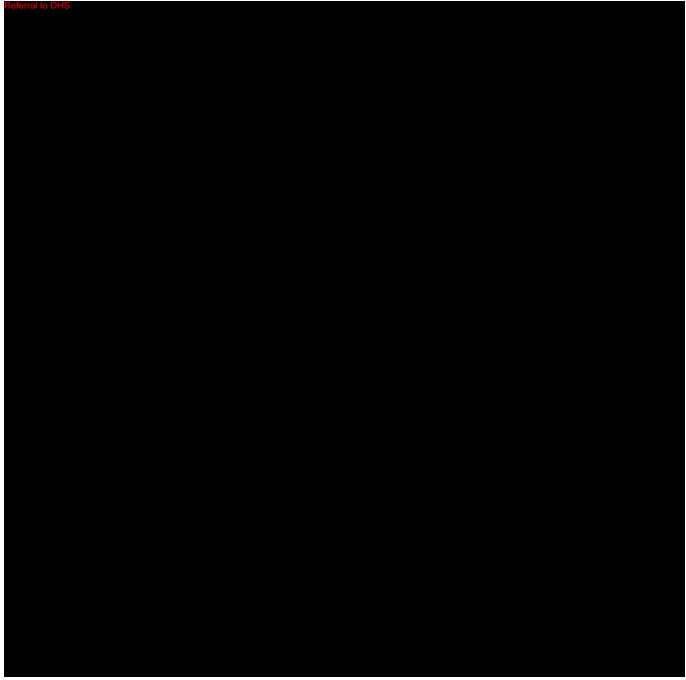
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**Subject:** RE: Initial Questions: Nominee Financial Disclosure Report

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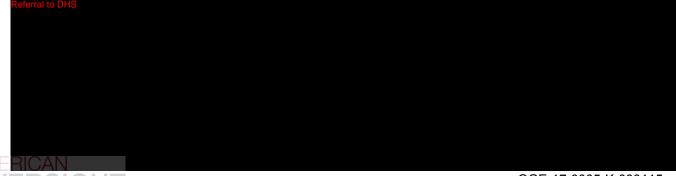


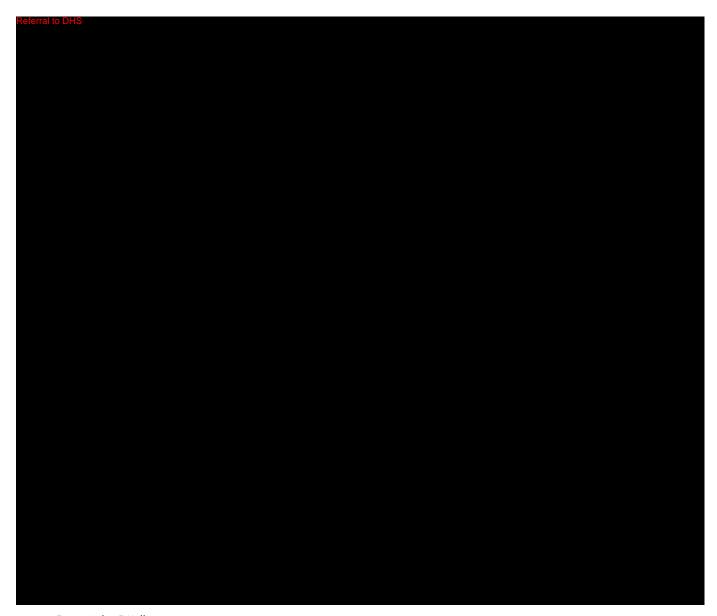
From: John F Kelly (b) (6)

**Sent:** Friday, December 30, 2016 10:24 AM

To: Heller, Susan (b) (6)

**Subject:** RE: Initial Questions: Nominee Financial Disclosure Report





From: John F Kelly

**Sent:** Thursday, December 29, 2016 4:15:11 PM

To: Heller, Susan

**Subject:** RE: Initial Questions: Nominee Financial Disclosure Report

Susan,

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Referral to DHS





From: John F Kelly (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, December 29, 2016 9:19 AM

To: Heller, Susan < (b) (6)

**Subject:** RE: Initial Questions: Nominee Financial Disclosure Report

Got it. Thanks. Almost updated with the (b)(3), (6)

Kelly





From: John F Kelly

**Sent:** Thursday, December 29, 2016 9:01:24 AM

To: Heller, Susan

**Subject:** RE: Initial Questions: Nominee Financial Disclosure Report

Susan,



Kelly





From: John F Kelly

**Sent:** Thursday, December 29, 2016 8:08:56 AM

To: Heller, Susan

**Subject:** RE: Initial Questions: Nominee Financial Disclosure Report

Susan,

Am in as I update the form.







From: John F Kelly (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, December 27, 2016 5:00 PM

To: Heller, Susan (b) (6)



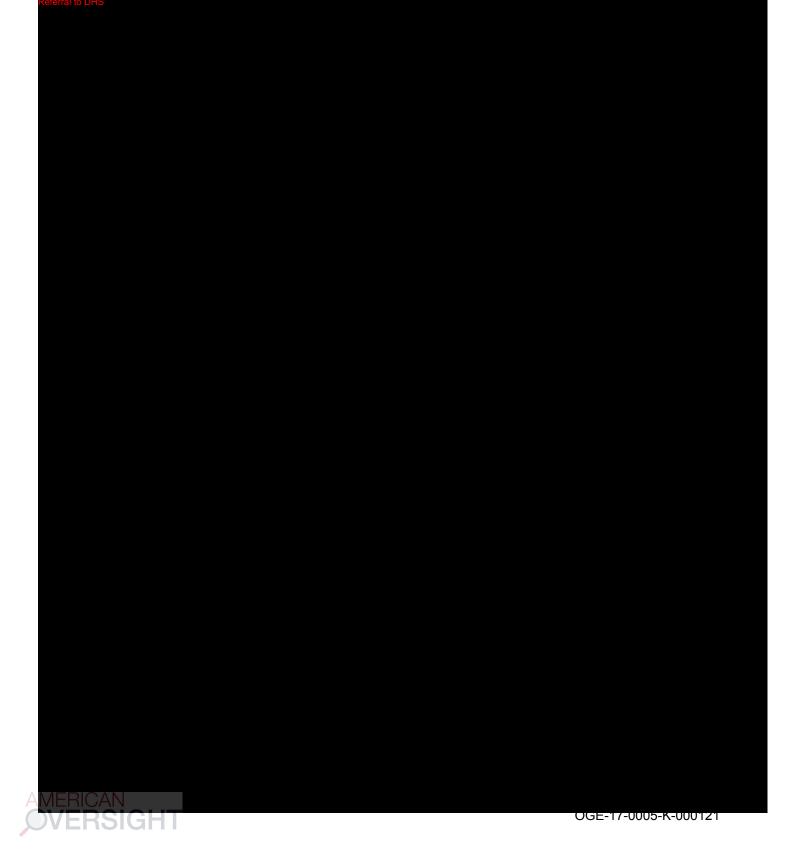
**Subject:** RE: Nominee Financial Disclosure Report

Susan,

Thanks. I am on the road to tomorrow for less than a week. I'll have phone and e-mail so should not be a problem.

Thanks,

Kelly



From: <u>Heather A. Jones</u>
To: <u>Stephanie Nonluecha</u>

**Subject**: EA for preclearance.Kelly, John F (HAJ edits).docx

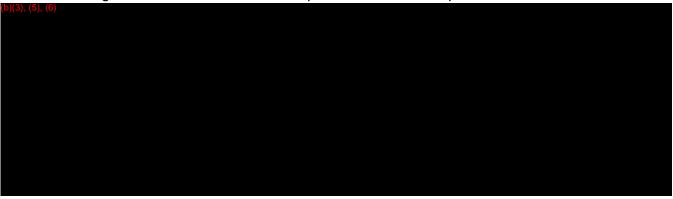
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# Stephanie-

Walt can in while I was walking through the EA and report with Deb so I have redline his changes on the EA. Here are a couple of notes on the report:



Thanks, Heather



From: Stephanie Nonluecha
To: "Heller, Susan"
Subject: Revised EA

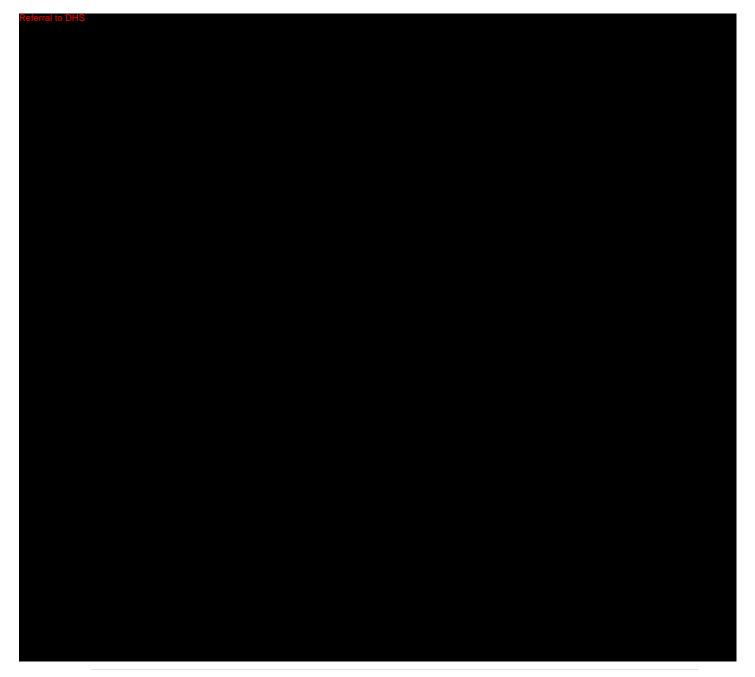
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Please see attachment. Stephanie





**From:** Deborah J. Bortot [mailto:djbortot@oge.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, January 4, 2017 6:08 PM

To: Heller, Susan (b) (6)

**Cc:** Stephanie Nonluecha <snonlue@oge.gov>; Heather A. Jones <hajones@oge.gov>; David J. Apol

<djapol@oge.gov>; Director of OGE <director@oge.gov>

**Subject:** RE: ethics agreement

Susan,





Thanks, Deb

Deborah J. Bortot Chief, Presidential Nominations Branch U.S. Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Ave., NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005-3917

Telephone: (202) 482-9227 Facsimile: (202) 482-9237

From: Walter M. Shaub

Sent: Wednesday, January 04, 2017 5:52 PM

To: (b)(6) - Susan Heller's email address

Cc: Stephanie Nonluecha; Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones; David J. Apol

**Subject:** ethics agreement

Susan,

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We can preclear John Kelly (b) (5)

by using the attached ethics agreement.



Walt

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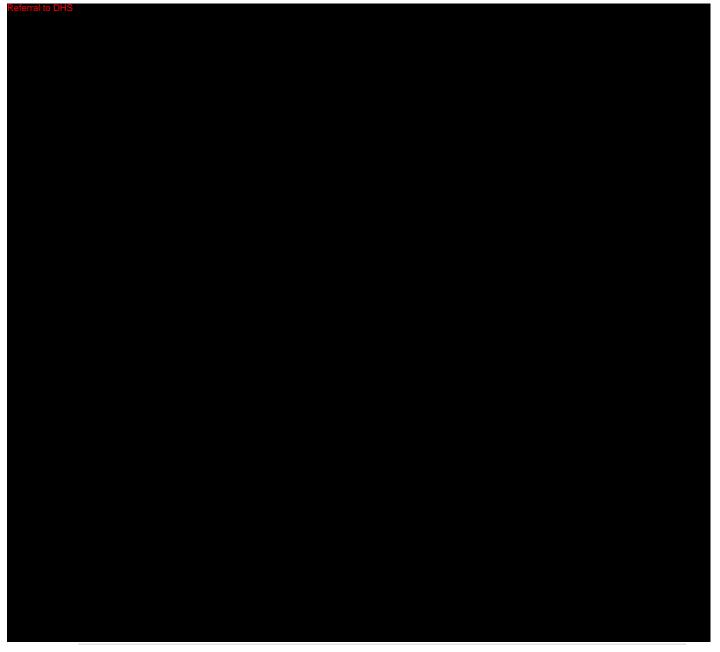
From: Heather A. Jones
To: Stephanie Nonluecha
Subject: FW: revised EA

**Date:** Friday, January 06, 2017 10:27:42 AM

Attachments: Scanned Document.pdf

I don't know why Walt included Lorna

ttachment released below



From: Walter M. Shaub [mailto:wmshaub@oge.gov]

Sent: Thursday, January 5, 2017 6:56 PM

To: Heller, Susan (b) (6)

**Cc:** Lorna A. Syme < <u>lasyme@oge.gov</u>>; Deborah J. Bortot < <u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>; Heather A. Jones

<<u>hajones@oge.gov</u>> **Subject:** revised EA



Susan,

I was able to get closure on the outstanding issue (b) (5)

agreement. By way of explanation (b) (5)

Walt

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From: Stephanie Nonluecha

To:

"Heller, Susan" Cc:

Subject: FW: PRECLEARED: John Kelly Date: Friday, January 06, 2017 11:16:19 AM

Attachments: Kelly, John F.signed EA.pdf

Please see attachment.

Regards,

### **Stephanie Nonluecha**

Program Analyst (Finance) U.S. Office of Government Ethics (202) 482-9243 snonlue@oge.gov

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From: Deborah J. Bortot

Sent: Friday, January 06, 2017 11:09 AM

To: 'Ann M Donaldson'

Cc: Stephanie Nonluecha; David J. Apol; Heather A. Jones; Sandra S. Mabry; Keith Labedz; Teresa L.

Williamson; Rodrick T. Johnson; Emory A. Rounds III; 'Heller, Susan'

Subject: PRECLEARED: John Kelly

Annie, John Kelly is precleared.

Stephanie, please forward the ethics agreement to Annie.

Thanks!

Deb

Deborah J. Bortot Chief, Presidential Nominations Branch U.S. Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Ave., NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005-3917

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From: <u>Deborah J. Bortot</u>

To: <u>Stephanie Nonluecha</u>; <u>Sandra S. Mabry</u>

Cc: <u>Heather A. Jones</u>
Subject: Paperwork on Kelly

**Date:** Monday, January 09, 2017 8:58:09 AM

Importance: High

Sandy and Stephanie,

Please expedite the final package on Kelly. His hearing is tomorrow and we need to get the paperwork up ASAP. Teresa is out, so you will have to handle her part.

Thanks, Deb



From: LNAPPS1.USOGE@oge.gov

To: Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: IMPORTANT - ACTION NEEDED - Nomination Package Forwarded to Sandy for Review - John F Kelly

**Date:** Monday, January 09, 2017 2:14:54 PM

Nomination package for John F Kelly has been forwarded for review.

ACTION: Review nomination package and initial paper routing slip. Log completion of this step into FDTS by clicking the forward routing button to save and mark this step complete.

Drop the paper folder off in General Counsel's office.

The link below will take you to the FDTS record.

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From: Sandra S. Mabry
To: Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: RE: IMPORTANT - ACTION NEEDED - Nomination Package Ready for Review - John F Kelly

**Date:** Monday, January 09, 2017 2:58:04 PM

#### b) (6)

OK, it's been signed; I saved PDF to N folder, date stamped letter and am now trying to scan letter

-----Original Message-----From: Teresa L. Williamson

Sent: Monday, January 09, 2017 2:35 PM

To: Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: Fw: IMPORTANT - ACTION NEEDED - Nomination Package Ready for Review - John F Kelly

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

Original Message

From: LNAPPS1.USOGE@oge.gov Sent: Monday, January 9, 2017 2:06 PM

To: Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: IMPORTANT - ACTION NEEDED - Nomination Package Ready for Review - John F Kelly

Nomination package for John F Kelly has been forwarded for review.

ACTION: Review nomination package and initial paper routing slip. Print transmittal letter. Assemble package to be sent forward for certification. Log completion of this step into FDTS by clicking the forward routing button to save and mark this step complete.

Drop the paper folder off in Sandy's office.

The link below will take you to the FDTS record.

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From: <u>Teresa L. Williamson</u>

To: <u>Stephanie Nonluecha; "Heller, Susan"</u>

Subject: Public Financial Disclosure Report for John F. Kelly Date: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 12:41:04 PM

Attachments: Kelly, John F. finalEA.pdf

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### Good Afternoon,

I've attached the financial disclosure package for John F. Kelly. President-Elect Trump has announced his intention to nominate Mr. Kelly for the position of Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

### Thanks!

Sandra Mabry Presidential Nominations Branch U.S. Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Avenue, NW - Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005 202-482-9258



From: <u>Deborah J. Bortot</u>

To: <u>Heller, Susan; Stephanie Nonluecha</u>
Cc: <u>Heather A. Jones; David J. Apol</u>

Subject: Re: General Kelly

**Date:** Monday, January 16, 2017 8:38:08 PM

# Thank you

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From: Deborah J. Bortot

**Sent:** Saturday, January 14, 2017 8:03:03 PM **To:** Heller, Susan; Stephanie Nonluecha **Cc:** Heather A. Jones; David J. Apol

Subject: RE: General Kelly

Susan,

I'll call you at 10 am Sunday.

Thanks, Deb





From: Deborah J. Bortot

**Sent:** Saturday, January 14, 2017 7:12:59 PM **To:** Heller, Susan; Stephanie Nonluecha **Cc:** Heather A. Jones; David J. Apol

**Subject:** RE: General Kelly

Susan,



The *Integrity* report cannot be amended. He will have to amend the report through a letter addressed to the DAEO. The DAEO will then have to review the amendment and provide an opinion letter to OGE enclosing the filer's amendment letter. I've attached a draft letter for the filer and a draft letter for the DAEO. Please insert the relevant information and email me drafts of each before having the two letters signed.

Let me know when you would like to discuss the positions. I'll be available to talk tonight or tomorrow. I have a conference call tomorrow at either 10:30 am or at noon, but am available before or after.

Thanks, Deb





Stephanie Nonluecha From: To: Sandra S. Mabry Subject: Kelly supplement letter

Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 2:26:21 PM

DHS Secretary Nom Kelly JF Supplement for 278 (Pts 1 and 2) and EA.revised.docx Nom General Kelly amendment transmittal letter to OGE 2.docx Attachments:

Importance: High

### Sandy,

Please see my revisions to the letter and let me know your comments before I send to Susan. I'm also attaching the draft agency transmittal with me edits for your review.

Thanks, Stephanie



From: Sandra S. Mabry
To: Stephanie Nonluecha
Subject: RE: General John Kelly

**Date:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 4:45:54 PM

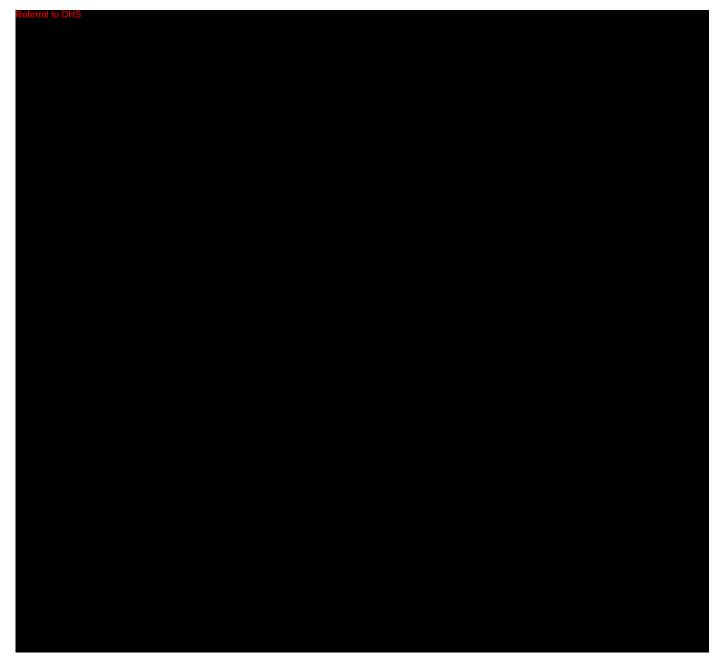
Attachments: Kelly alternate sm.docx

From: Stephanie Nonluecha

Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 4:23 PM

To: Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: FW: General John Kelly





From: Stephanie Nonluecha [mailto:snonlue@oge.gov]

Sent: Monday, January 9, 2017 10:14 AM

To: Heller, Susan < (b) (6)

**Cc:** Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>; Heather A. Jones <<u>hajones@oge.gov</u>>

Subject: FW: General John Kelly

Importance: High

Please have him sign his 278 and transmit the agency transmittal letter to OGE. We already signed the EA.

Thanks,

### **Stephanie Nonluecha**

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From: Deborah J. Bortot

**Sent:** Monday, January 09, 2017 8:46 AM

To: Stephanie Nonluecha

Cc: Sandra S. Mabry; Heather A. Jones; Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: FW: General John Kelly

From: Ann M Donaldson (b) (6)

**Sent:** Monday, January 09, 2017 8:38 AM **To:** Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones

Subject: General John Kelly

On behalf of the President-Elect, this email serves as confirmation that the President-Elect intends to nominate General John Kelly to be Secretary of Homeland Security. Please transmit his pre-cleared 278 report to the appropriate Senate committee.

Thank you, Annie

Ann M. Donaldson
Associate

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From: Stephanie Nonluecha To: "Heller, Susan"

Subject: RE: FD and EA Supplement Draft Letter, General Kelly

Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2017 2:38:01 PM

Attachments: Kelly 278 and EA amendments v.3 - OGE edits 1-18-17.docx

Susan,

I'm attaching General Kelly's supplement letter with OGE's final tracked changes. OGE has no recommended changes to the transmittal letter v.3. Please call me to discuss these documents and the draft letter from (b) (6)

Thanks, Stephanie



From: Stephanie Nonluecha [mailto:snonlue@oge.gov]



**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 4:59 PM

**To:** Heller, Susan (b) (6)

**Subject:** RE: FD and EA Supplement Draft Letter, General Kelly

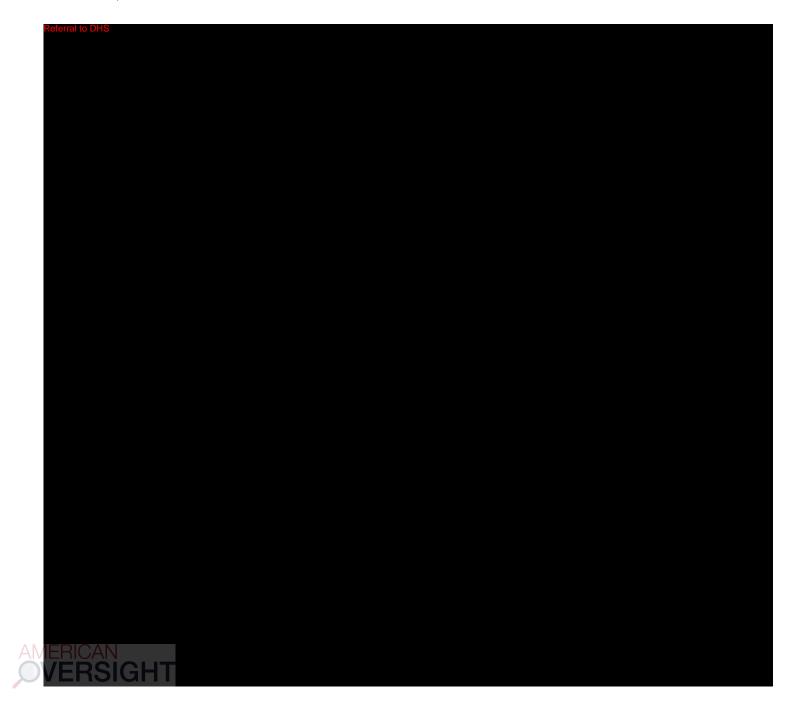
Importance: High

Susan,



I'm attaching for your review the revised drafts of General Kelly's supplement letter and the OGE transmittal letter. I'm also attaching for your information only the first draft revision which has my tracked changes some of which was incorporated into the alternate version we're recommending for use. Please call me to discuss.

Thanks, Stephanie



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From: Stephanie Nonluecha

"Heller, Susan"; Deborah J. Bortot To:

Cc:

Heather A. Jones; David J. Apol; Maher, Joseph RE: General Kelly, Amendment Letter and DAEO Transmittal Letter Subject:

Date: Thursday, January 19, 2017 9:19:09 AM

Thanks Susan. I'll let you know when it has been sent to the committee.

# Stephanie





 From:
 Emory A. Rounds III

 To:
 Stephanie Nonluecha

 Subject:
 RE: UPDATE?

**Date:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 9:23:31 AM

#### THANKS!!!

From: Stephanie Nonluecha

Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 9:23 AM

**To:** Emory A. Rounds III **Subject:** RE: UPDATE?

I just received signed letters from DHS and am getting the paperwork ready for Walt's signature— Jack will be handling the file for me since I'm teleworking today. We're moving as fast as we can, but it should be ready to be transmitted to the committee very soon.

From: Emory A. Rounds III

Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 9:18 AM

**To:** Stephanie Nonluecha **Subject:** UPDATE?

Good morning!

Any update on General Kelly?

Thanks!

**Emory** 



From: <u>Jack MacDonald</u>
To: <u>Stephanie Nonluecha</u>
Cc: <u>Sandra S. Mabry</u>

Subject: RE: Kelly documents for printing

Date: Thursday, January 19, 2017 9:36:17 AM

Got it. Will do!

From: Stephanie Nonluecha

Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 9:35 AM

**To:** Jack MacDonald **Cc:** Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: Kelly documents for printing

Importance: High

Jack,



Please print the two documents attached for General Kelly's amendment and put with his file folder behind the routingslip and OGE transmittal letter that's already attached to the folder. I've reviewed them and everything is as it should be. Please bring the folder to Deb.

Thanks, Stephanie



From: Emory A. Rounds III

To: Deborah J. Bortot

Cc: Heather A. Jones

Subject: Fw:

**Date:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 12:37:36 PM

Um, I do not to recall typing the below email that way - spell fix must be on. Wow!

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Emory A. Rounds III <earounds@oge.gov> Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 12:04 PM

**To:** Deborah J. Bortot **Cc:** Heather A. Jones

Subject:

Please let me know what happens either Kelly so I can Leeper them posted. Tjankd!

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.



From: Deborah J. Bortot
To: Stephanie Nonluecha
Subject: RE: For your review

**Date:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 12:57:43 PM



From: Stephanie Nonluecha

**Sent:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 12:19 PM

To: Deborah J. Bortot Subject: For your review Importance: High

Deb, here's my draft e-mail to Susan re: the supplement letter.





From: Teresa L. Williamson
To: Jack MacDonald

Cc: <u>Stephanie Nonluecha; Sandra S. Mabry; Heather A. Jones; Deborah J. Bortot</u>

Subject: RE: OGE Senate Amendment Ltr
Date: Thursday, January 19, 2017 1:11:15 PM

The digital amendment letter for Walt to sign has been saved to Kelly's n drive folder.

From: Jack MacDonald

Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 12:49 PM

To: Teresa L. Williamson

**Subject:** OGE Senate Amendment Ltr

Hi Teresa,

The name of the letter for Walt's digital signature is "Kelly, John F. amendmentltr2.docx." It's located in Kelly's nominee folder and is dated today, 1/19/2017.

Thanks!

Jack



From: <u>Stephanie Nonluecha</u>
To: <u>Deborah J. Bortot</u>

Subject: FW: OGE Request for Acknowledgement - Letter Amending Financial Disclosure Report and Ethics Agreement

**Date:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 3:05:25 PM



From: John Kelly (b) (6)

**Sent:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 3:00 PM

**To:** James Carroll (b) (6) >; Kirstjen Nielsen <(b) (6) >; Heller,

Susan (b) (6)

Subject: Re: OGE Request for Acknowledgement - Letter Amending Financial Disclosure Report and

**Ethics Agreement** 

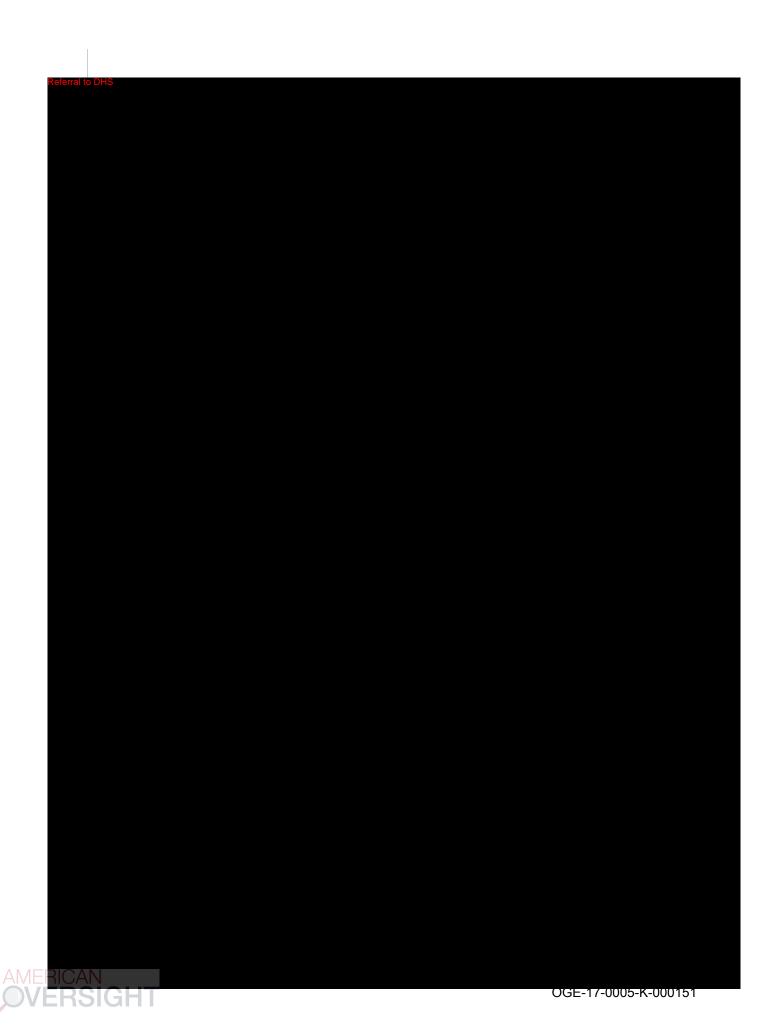


## Hello

This is to confirm that I understand that my letter supplementing my financial disclosure report and ethics agreement will be attached to both my ethics agreement and financial disclosure report. In addition to being posted with my ethics agreement, I understand that this letter will be posted with my public financial disclosure report.

On Thu, Jan 19, 2017 at 2:54 PM Kirstjen Nielsen < (b) (6) > wrote:





From: Emory A. Rounds III

To: Heather A. Jones

**Subject:** Re: Anything on the general?

**Date:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 3:14:27 PM

#### Thanks!

## Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Heather A. Jones

Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 3:08 PM

To: Emory A. Rounds III

Subject: Re: Anything on the general?

## We are waiting for something from Gen Kelly

## Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Emory A. Rounds III

Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 1:37 PM

To: Heather A. Jones

**Subject:** Anything on the general?

They will be asking . . .

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.



From: <u>Teresa L. Williamson</u>

To: <u>Stephanie Nonluecha; "Heller, Susan"</u>

Subject: Amendment to Public Financial Disclosure Report of John F. Kelly

**Date:** Thursday, January 26, 2017 3:15:18 PM

Attachments: Nom General Kelly DAEO Transmittal letter Amended 278 and EA.pdf

Nom General Kelly Amendment Letter OGE 278e and EA .pdf

Kelly, John F. amendmentltr.pdf

page attachment referred to DHS; maining of attachments are released elow

## Good Afternoon,

The attached is an amendment to the final report that was submitted to the committee by letter dated January 9, 2017.

#### Thanks!

Teresa Williamson US Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Avenue, NW - Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005 202-482-9283



# UNITED STATES OFFICE OF **GOVERNMENT ETHICS**

January 19, 2017

The Honorable Ron Johnson Chairman Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs **United States Senate** Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

By letter dated January 9, 2017, the Office of Government Ethics (OGE) transmitted to the Committee the financial disclosure report of John F. Kelly in connection with President-Elect Trump's announced intention to nominate Mr. Kelly for the position of Secretary, Department of Homeland Security. Enclosed are a letter from the Department of Homeland Security and a letter from Mr. Kelly supplementing Mr. Kelly's financial disclosure report and ethics agreement.

We have reviewed this additional submission and have also obtained advice from the Department of Homeland Security concerning any possible conflict in light of its functions and Mr. Kelly's proposed duties. Based on the information provided, OGE continues to believe that Mr. Kelly is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations governing conflicts of interest.

Sincerely,

Walter M. Shaub, Jr. Director

**Enclosures** 





January 18, 2017

Joseph B. Maher
Designated Agency Ethics Official
Department of Homeland Security
Washington, D.C. 20528-0485

Dear Mr. Maher:

The purpose of this letter is to supplement my public financial disclosure report signed on December 24, 2016, and supplement my ethics agreement signed on January 5, 2017. With regard to my financial disclosure report, I inadvertently omitted information concerning an outside position and incorrectly reported another position.

Please be advised that the following information corrects and amends my financial disclosure report as described below.

# Part 1 - Filer's Positions Held Outside U.S. Government

I am amending the title of the position that I hold with DC Capital Partners to reflect that I am a member of the Board of Advisors to that corporation and to correct the date of my service. I did not receive compensation for my service in this position. I am adding my position as a member of the Board of Directors of Michael Baker International LLC. I was compensated for my services by the company for my position as a Director. I do not have an equity interest in either DC Capital Partners or Michael Baker International LLC.

Part 1 is amended to change my position title with DC Capital Partners and to add my position with Michael Baker International, LLC as follows:

Organization Name: DC Capital Partners
City, State: Alexandria, VA

Organization Type: Corporation

Position Held: Member, Board of Advisors

From: February 2016

To: Present

Organization Name: Michael Baker International, LLC

City, State: Pittsburgh, PA
Organization Type: Corporation

Position Held: Member, Board of Directors

From: June 2016 To: Present



# Part 2 – Filer's Employment Assets and Income

I am deleting my entry on Part 2 for DC Capital Partners because I did not receive compensation from that company. Instead, I am adding Michael Baker International LLC, a portfolio investment of DC Capital Partners, to this Part because my compensation was for my position as Director of this company.

Part 2 is amended to remove DC Capital Partners and add:

Description:

Michael Baker International

EIF:

N/A

Value:

N/A

Income Type:

Director's Fees

Income Amount:

\$37,500

## Part 4 – Filer's Sources of Compensation Exceeding \$5.000 in a Year

I am amending Part 4 to report my compensation over \$5,000 from Michael Baker International, LLC.

Part 4 is amended to remove DC Capital Partners and add:

Source Name:

Michael Baker International

City, State:

Pittsburg, PA

Brief Description of Duties: Board Member

In accordance with the foregoing amendments to my financial disclosure report, I am supplementing my ethics agreement dated January 5, 2017, with the following:

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position with Michael Baker International, LLC. For a period of one year after my resignation, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know Michael Baker International, LLC, is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

I have been advised that this supplement to my ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. § 552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with ethics agreements of other Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.

Sincerely,

John Francis Kelly

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The Honorable Ron Johnson Chairman Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, I enclose a copy of the financial disclosure report filed by John F. Kelly. President-Elect Trump has announced his intention to nominate Mr. Kelly for the position of Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

We have reviewed the report and have obtained advice from the agency concerning any possible conflict in light of its functions and the nominee's proposed duties. Also enclosed is an ethics agreement outlining the actions that the nominee will undertake to avoid conflicts of interest. Unless a date for compliance is indicated in the ethics agreement, the nominee must fully comply within three months of confirmation with any action specified in the ethics agreement.

Based thereon, we believe that this nominee is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations governing conflicts of interest.

Sincerely,

Walter M. Shaub, Jr.

Director

**Enclosures** 

Joseph B. Maher Designated Agency Ethics Official Department of Homeland Security Washington, D.C. 20528-0485

Dear Mr. Maher:

The purpose of this letter is to describe the steps that I will take to avoid any actual or apparent conflict of interest in the event that I am confirmed for the position of Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security.

As required by 18 U.S.C. § 208(a), I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter in which I know that I have a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, or in which I know that a person whose interests are imputed to me has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2). I understand that the interests of the following persons are imputed to me: any spouse or minor child of mine; any general partner of a partnership in which I am a limited or general partner; any organization in which I serve as officer, director, trustee, general partner or employee; and any person or organization with which I am negotiating or have an arrangement concerning prospective employment.

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my positions with the following entities: DynCorp; DC Capital Partners; Flatter & Associates; and Beacon Global Strategies. For a period of one year after my resignation from each of these entities, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know that entity is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

I am the sole proprietor of my consulting business, Oak Square Perspectives, LLC, which is dormant and has never had any clients. During my appointment to the position of Secretary of Homeland Security, Oak Square Perspectives, LLC, will remain dormant and will not advertise. I will not perform any services for the business, except that I will comply with any requirements involving legal filings, taxes and fees that are necessary to maintain the business while it is in an inactive status. As Secretary, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of Oak Square Perspectives, LLC.

I am owed a payment from the Australian government for a speaking engagement that I have now completed. I received an emoluments clause authorization from the Department of Defense, pursuant to 37 U.S.C. § 908, prior to engaging in this activity. Until I have received full



payment, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which Australia, is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

I have been advised that this ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. § 552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with ethics agreements of other Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.

Sincerely,

John Francis Kelly



 From:
 Sandra S. Mabry

 To:
 Emory A. Rounds III

 Subject:
 FW: PRIORITY REPORT

Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2016 12:35:29 PM



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From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]
Sent: Saturday, December 10, 2016 5:27 PM
To: Kaleta, Judy (OST)

Cc: Herr, Ellen (OST); Carlson, Terence (OST)

Subject: RE: PRIORITY REPORT

Judy. Thank you! Look forward to working with Ellen and you, also. Sandy

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From: Sandra S. Mabry < ssmabry@oge.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 9, 2016 7:25:47 PM

To: Kaleta, Judy (OST)

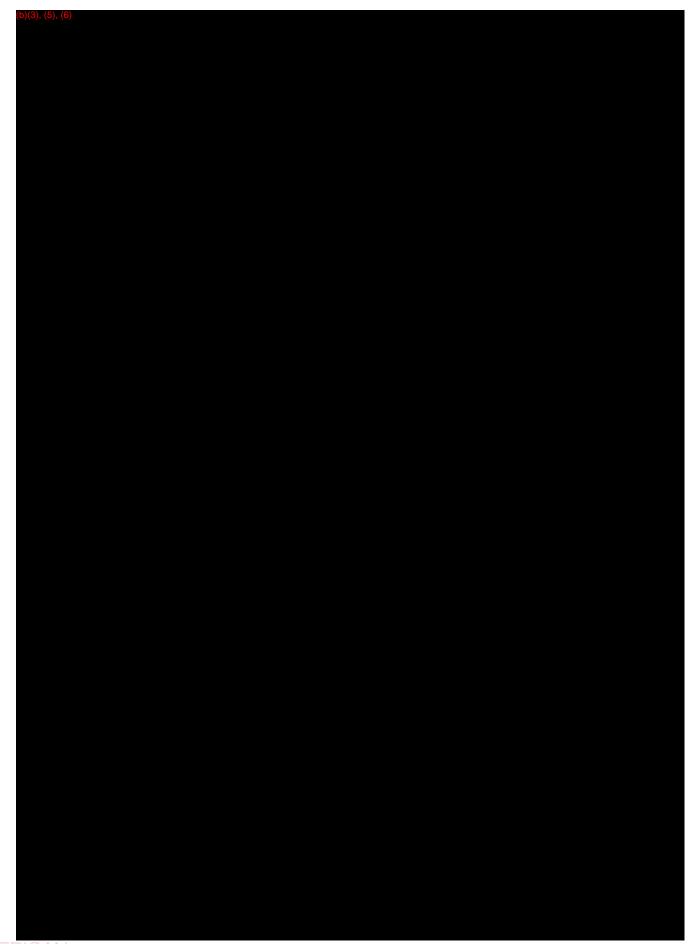
Subject: RE: PRIORITY REPORT

Judy, below are my questions. This is a first-cut and I may have additional questions after I look up the holdings. I included the reporting periods because there may have been some confusion about them. Please don't forward the questions without editing. I indicated to you that we need to discuss how the various (b)(3). (b) entries should be organized and reported. Please call me if you have questions or want to discuss over the weekend. I will not be able to talk tomorrow until later in the afternoon. My cell phone is (b) (6) Also, I have a computer at home for teleworking and will try to get into it tomorrow.

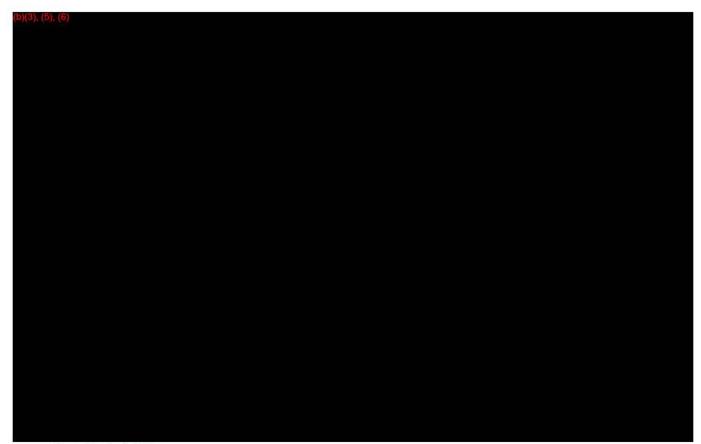
Also, please ignore typos. Thanks, Sandy

Part 1 – Reporting period 1/1/2014—12/6/2016









From: Sandra S. Mabry

Sent: Friday, December 09, 2016 4:01 PM

To: Subject: PRIORITY REPORT

Judy,

I'll send you my first cut of questions before I leave today. Filer's contact information (from Integrity) is below. Deb spoke to Larry Steinberg earlier this week. His contact information is also below.

I have an office computer for teleworking and will be checking my office email over the weekend. However, I (b) (6)

If you send an email, please call me on my cell phone to let me know. Also,

if you want to discuss the report, please call me. My cell phone number is (b) (6) I look forward to working with you. Sandy 202-482-9258

Filer's Contact information:

Filer: EMAIL
SECONDARY EMAIL: 6161

Larry J. Steinberg, CPA, CGMA | Senior Manager

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From: Sandra S. Mabry
To: "Herr, Ellen (OST)"

Subject: RE: left message for Mr. Steinberg

Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2016 1:40:08 PM

Ellen, thank you. I'll try to have my additional questions to you before I leave today. Sandy







From: Coleman, Russell M. (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 13, 2016 3:09 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST) **Subject:** Your messages

Dear Ms. Herr:

I sincerely apologize that we have not yet been able to talk. I hope to be free of meetings shortly but in the interim, might you send me the proposed questions so that I can gauge Secretary Chao's preferences for how best to proceed. Will call you shortly.

Regards, Russell



From: Sandra S. Mabry
To: Deborah J. Bortot

Subject: RE: Elaine Chao OGE Filing

**Date:** Tuesday, December 13, 2016 4:06:20 PM

Called her. Will fill you in when you have time. Sandy

From: Deborah J. Bortot

Sent: Tuesday, December 13, 2016 3:26 PM

To: Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: FW: Elaine Chao OGE Filing

I just missed a call from Bridgette Mugge. She didn't leave a message. She is working with Larry Steinberg

From: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)

**Sent:** Friday, December 02, 2016 12:44 PM

**To:** Deborah J. Bortot **Cc:** Bridgette Mugge

Subject: Elaine Chao OGE Filing

Deborah,

Thanks for your help this morning. My contact information is below, and I will be working in my office with Bridgette Mugge on Elaine's filing. Bridgette's telephone is and her e-mail is (b) (6)

I have given your contact info to her, too.

I spoke with Elaine this morning. She doesn't arrive back in DC until 4:00 Monday afternoon, and doesn't want to provide any information until she has a chance to review. Thus I would not expect a draft on Monday; Tuesday is more likely. And, as we discussed, there will be a lot of open items in the initial draft. At least you can get started, and we will be working with Elaine on gathering what we know to be missing.

Larry

Larry J. Steinberg, CPA, CGMA | Senior Manager

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From: Bridgette Mugge (b) (6)

**Sent:** Monday, December 19, 2016 2:09 PM **To:** Herr, Ellen (OST); ssmabry@oge.gov

Cc: Larry Steinberg

Subject: Elaine Chao - OGE Report

Good Afternoon,

We are ready for you to look at Elaine Chao's OGE report again. Please let us know if there are any further corrections you would like us to make or if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Bridgette Mugge | Senior Accounting Specialist Blue & Co., LLC | phone/fax (b) (6)
12800 N. Meridian, Suite 400 | Carmel, IN 46032



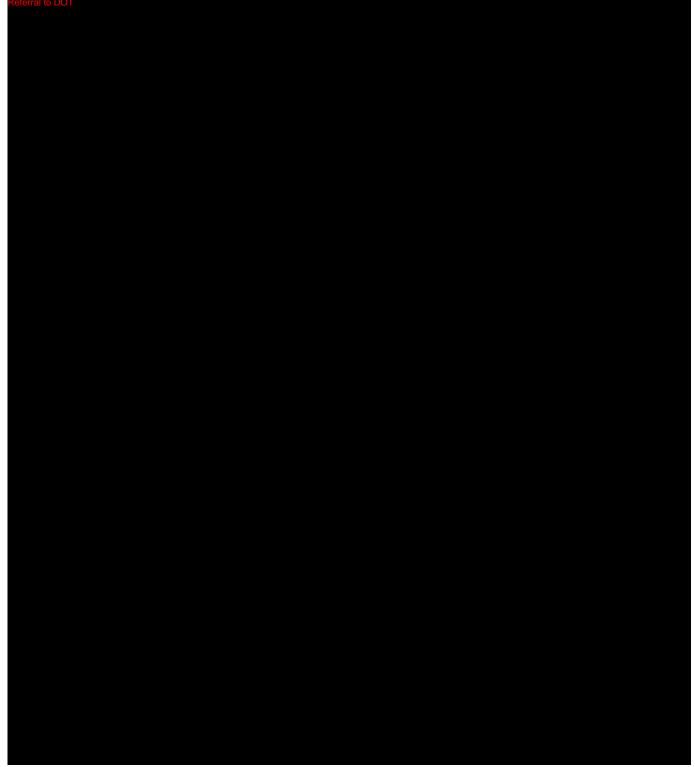
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To: "Herr, Ellen (OST)"

Subject: RE: Elaine Chao - OGE Report

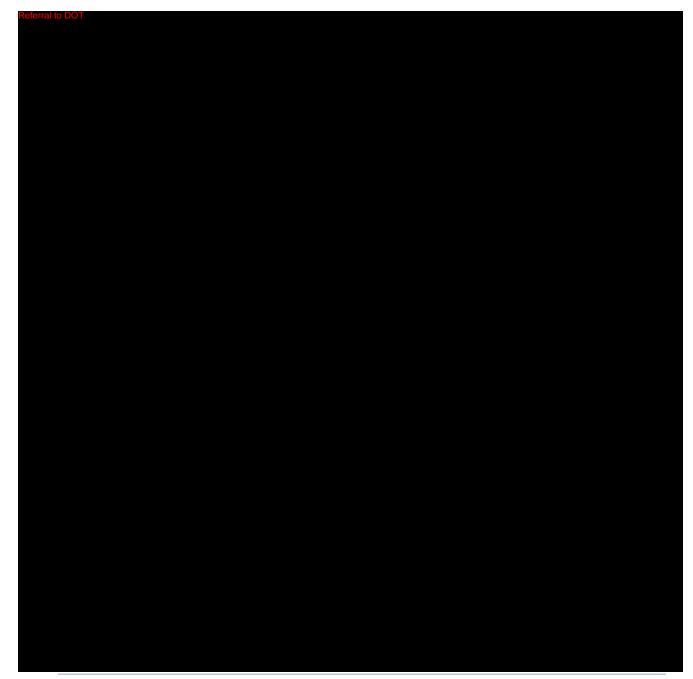
**Date:** Tuesday, December 20, 2016 11:50:11 AM

Ellen, thank you. I'm going to run some of my questions by Heather. Then I'll get back to you.

Sandy







From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2016 5:35 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: RE: Elaine Chao - OGE Report

Ellen, do you have a back-up during the time you're on leave? I'm here this week, but will be out next week. Heather Jones is my back-up and will be available to answer questions and keep the report and ethics agreement moving. Heather's email is <a href="mailto:hajones@oge.gov">hajones@oge.gov</a> and phone is 202-482-9316. Sandy





From: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)

Sent: Monday, December 19, 2016 2:28 PM To: Sandra S. Mabry; Herr, Ellen (OST)

Cc: Bridgette Mugge

Subject: Elaine Chao - OGE Report

Sandy and Ellen,

I thought we should let you know what our holiday schedules are, since you will likely have additional questions for us.

Bridgett will be in the office tomorrow (Tuesday), but out until the following Tuesday. She will also be in the office next week on Wednesday and Thursday.

I will be in the office this week through Thursday...we are closed Friday. Next week I will be in on Monday, but heading to (b) (6), and not back in the office until January 9. However, I'm told that my mobile phone (b) (6), so feel free to contact me on that number (see below) if you need me. (If I don't answer, (b) (6)

Thanks for your help in getting this report to this point!

Larry





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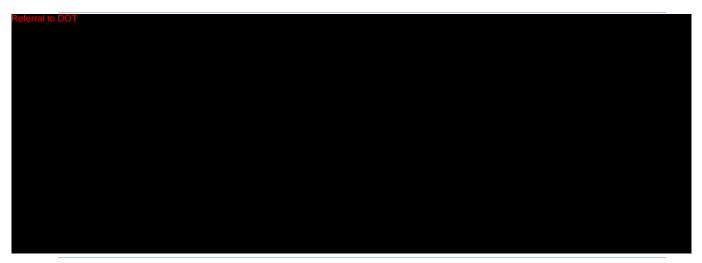
 From:
 Sandra S. Mabry

 To:
 "Herr, Ellen (OST)"

 Subject:
 RE: Draft EA - DOT S1

Date: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 1:54:22 PM

#### Good, thank you



From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov] Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 12:39 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: RE: Draft EA - DOT S1

Ellen, just left a message for you--need to talk about EA. If I don't hear back from you in about 5 mins, will assume you're at lunch, and I'll run out to get my lunch. Thanks, Sandy



From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2016 3:41 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: RE: Draft EA - DOT S1

Ellen, I just got back from an outside meeting. Need to meet with someone here, then will call to discuss report. Hope this works for you. Thanks, Sandy





From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2016 7:13 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: RE: Draft EA - DOT S1

Thanks, Ellen.

I was side-tracked today on a couple of things and did not finish my review. I'll need some time in the morning to finish the report. We may need more info on the (5)(3), (6)



 From:
 Sandra S. Mabry

 To:
 "Herr, Ellen (OST)"

 Subject:
 RE: Draft EA - DOT S1

Date: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 3:25:52 PM

Ellen, I see you made some changes to report. I also made some changes (see below) and I have questions, also below. I think the report is in pretty good shape, now we need to discuss the EA.

# **Changes:**



Thanks, Sandy 202-482-9258

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From: Larry Steinberg

Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 6:46 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST); Sandra S. Mabry (ssmabry@oge.gov)

Cc: Bridgette Mugge

Subject: RE: Elaine Chao OGE Form 278e

Changes made as requested. Have at it! Thanks!

Not that I'm looking for more changes,

Larry

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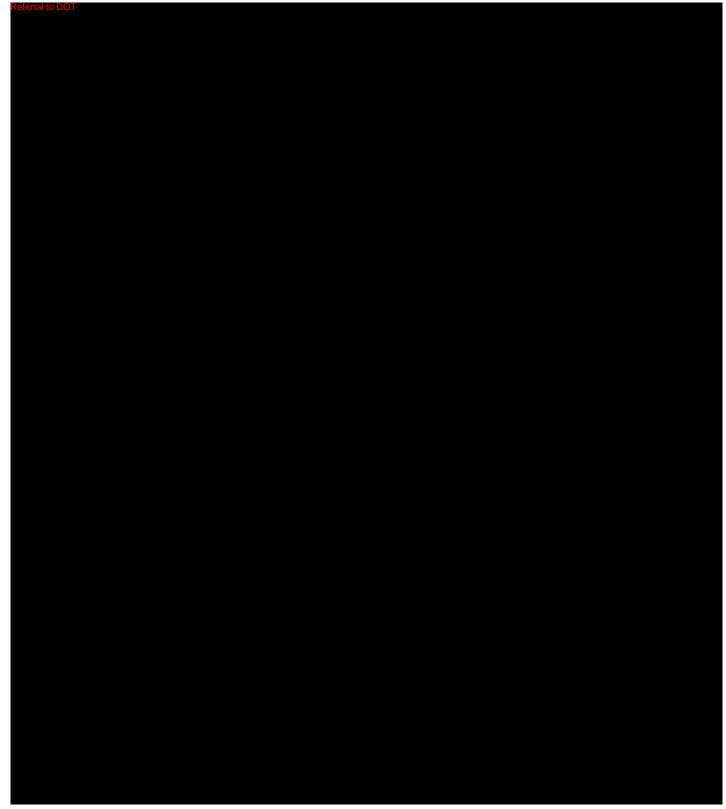


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From: Larry Steinberg [(b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 9:52 AM
To: Herr, Ellen (OST); Sandra S. Mabry (ssmabry@oge.gov)

Cc: Bridgette Mugge Subject: Elaine Chao OGE Form 278e

Ellen and Sandy,



I printed Elaine's 278e this morning, and am OK with the changes that you made. However, in the copy that I printed this morning, the first change that you noted in Part 6 does not appear to have been made. Since there is (6)(3), (6) perhaps you decided not to make the changes.

Regarding your questions...



Elaine is asking about the process, timing, etc., so any insights that you can share would be good.

Thanks for your help in this process! Happy holidays!

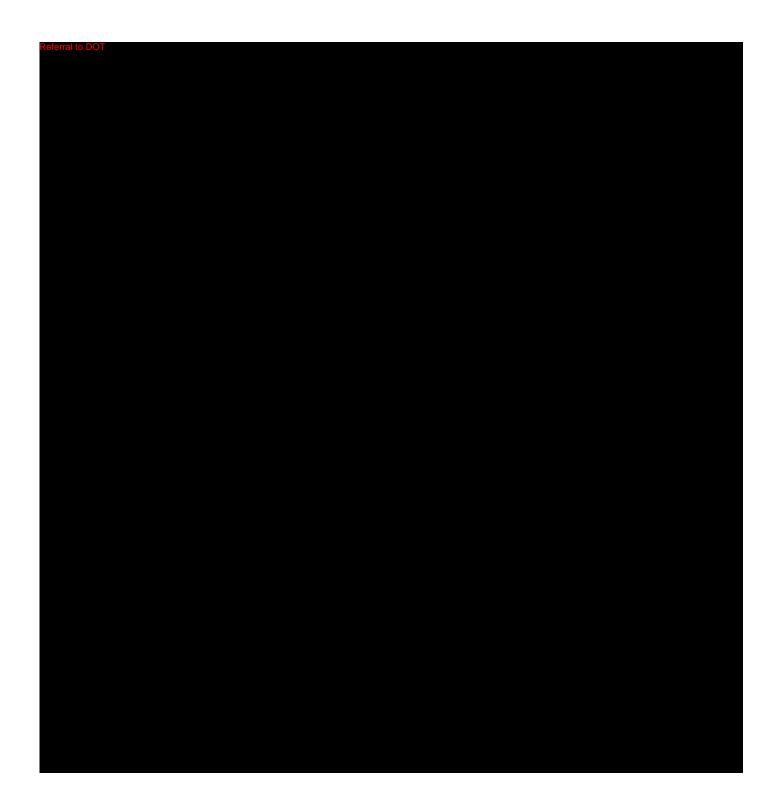
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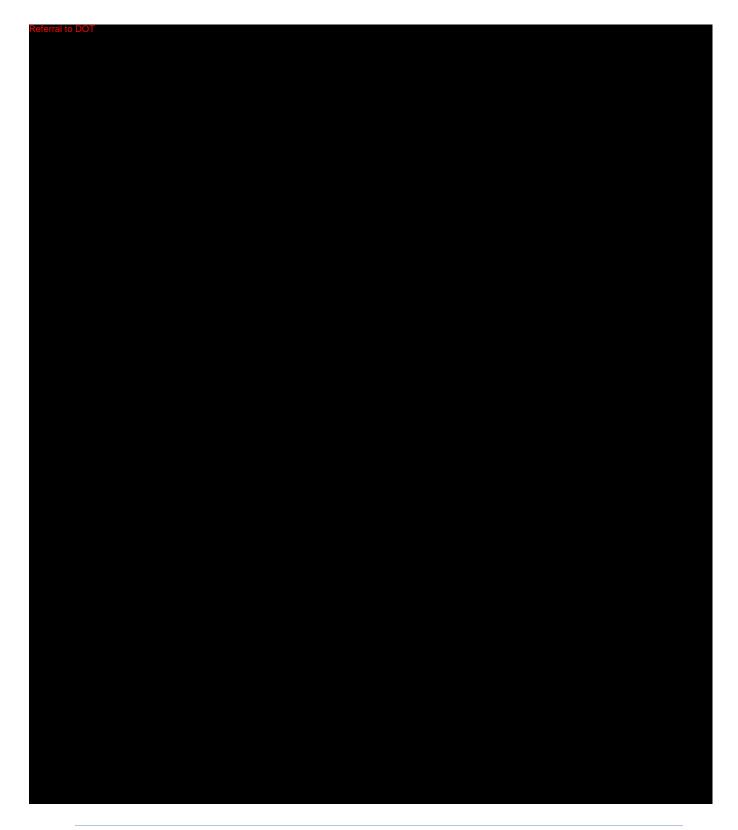
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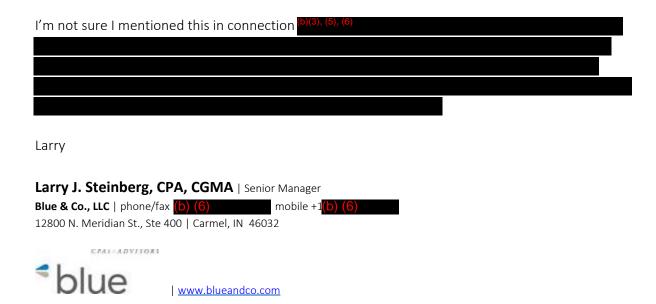




From: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 22, 2016 10:04 AM
To: Herr, Ellen (OST)
Subject: Elaine Chao

Ellen,





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From: Sandra S. Mabry

To: "Larry Steinberg"; "Ellen A. Herr Subject: RE: Form 278e for Secretary Chao

**Date:** Thursday, December 22, 2016 11:16:57 AM

Larry, thank you. I just got out of a meeting, and will print updated report and review it. I, also, hope this will do it, but there are others above me who review the report, and they may spot something or have questions.

We can't do this without you and Ellen, and I thank you both for being available and responsive.

Sandy

202-482-9258

From: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, December 22, 2016 10:52 AM

To: Ellen A. Herr (b) (6); Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: Form 278e for Secretary Chao

Ellen and Sandy,



Thanks for your help. No more changes, please. J

Larry

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From: LNAPPS1.USOGE@oge.gov

To: Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: IMPORTANT - ACTION NEEDED - New Nominee Assigned - Begin Review & Send 1st Set of Comments - Elaine L

Chao

**Date:** Friday, December 23, 2016 10:44:55 AM

Nominee, Elaine L Chao, has been assigned to you. ACTION: Within 2 days, please begin your review of the report and send the first set of comments/questions to the agency (by email or phone). If you need additional time, please contact Teresa or Deb.

Please log completion of this step into FDTS by entering a date and then clicking the forward routing button to save and mark this step complete.

Remember to add a new Progress Report for this nominee and update the progress at the end of each week until the report and EA have been precleared.

The link below will take you to the FDTS record.



From: Deborah J. Bortot
To: Lorna A. Syme

**Subject:** FW: Elaine Chao EA and 278

**Date:** Tuesday, December 27, 2016 11:56:43 AM

Attachments: Changes needed to the form.docx

Draft EA for OGE 12-23-16.docx

(b)(3), (4), (5), (6)

From: Sandra S. Mabry

Sent: Friday, December 23, 2016 2:23 PM

To: 'Kaleta, Judy (OST)'; Ellen A. Herr (b) (6); Carlson, Terence (OST)

Cc: Keith Labedz; Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones; 'Larry Steinberg'

Subject: Elaine Chao EA and 278



Judy, Attached are the draft ethics agreement and the remaining items on the 278. The ethics agreement is based on conversations we've had and entries on the report. Please review today and let me know if you have any concerns or suggested changes. If you and the filer are good with the ethics agreement and the changes to the report, I can submit it for preclearance. Thanks, Sandy 202-482-9258



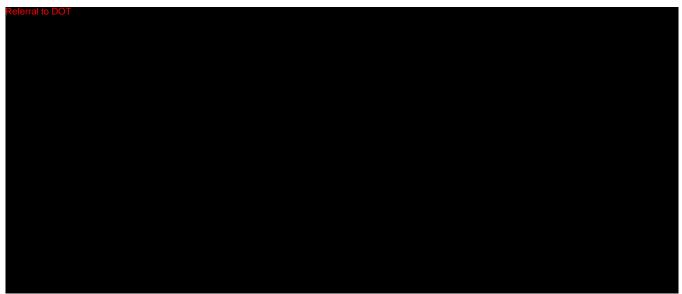


From: Lorna A. Syme

Sent: Tuesday, December 27, 2016 6:02 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST) Subject: RE: Nominee

Yes I spoke to Judy.



From: Lorna A. Syme

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 27, 2016 1:39 PM **To:** Kaleta, Judy (OST); Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: Nominee

Hello:

Would one of you please give me a call at your earliest convenience. I am backing Sandy Mabry up while she is out.

Thanks!

Lorna

Lorna Syme



From: Larry Steinberg
To: Lorna A. Syme

Cc: Kaleta, Judy (OST); Deborah J. Bortot; Sandra S. Mabry; Herr, Ellen (OST); Carlson, Terence (OST); Heather A.

<u>Jones</u>

Subject: Re: Elaine Chao EA and 278

Date: Wednesday, December 28, 2016 5:32:38 AM

Lorna:



Please let me know if you have additional questions.

Sent from my iPad

On Dec 27, 2016, at 6:25 PM, Lorna A. Syme < lasyme@oge.gov > wrote:

Judy:



As I mentioned, we have a follow-up question on the 278e.



Per our conversation, I have made the changes to the 278e. Please review the attached document(detailing the changes made to the 278e) and the 278e and confirm everyone is fine with the changes.

Thank you.

Lorna





From: Deborah J. Bortot < djbortot@oge.gov > Sent: Tuesday, December 27, 2016 1:39:58 PM

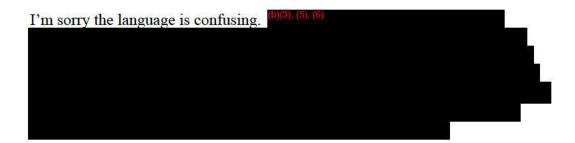
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Carlson, Terence (OST)

Cc: Heather A. Jones; Lorna A. Syme Subject: RE: Elaine Chao EA and 278

Larry,





. We have revised the language accordingly and have attached a tracked changes version of the ethics agreement.

Please review the attached ethics agreement.



Thanks,

Deb

Deborah J. Bortot

Chief, Presidential Nominations Branch

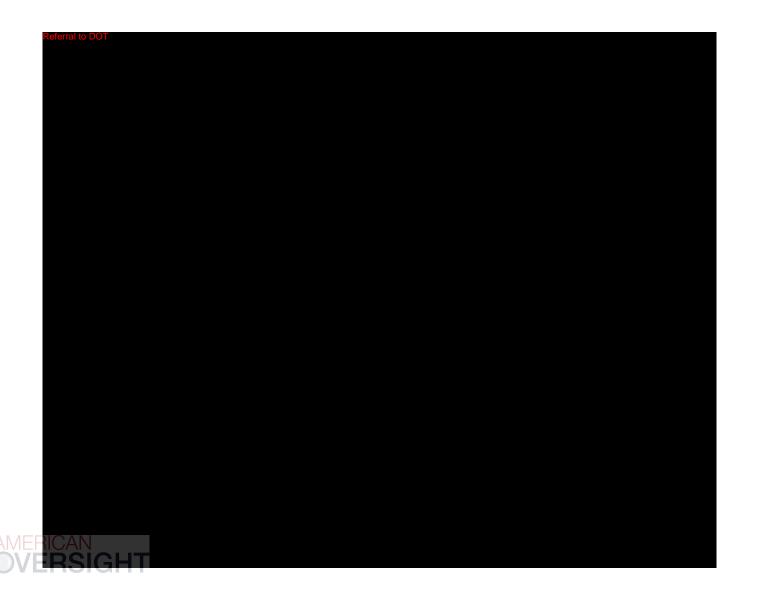
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From: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)

**Sent:** Monday, December 26, 2016 10:22 AM

To: Sandra S. Mabry; Kaleta, Judy (OST); Herr, Ellen (OST); Carlson, Terence

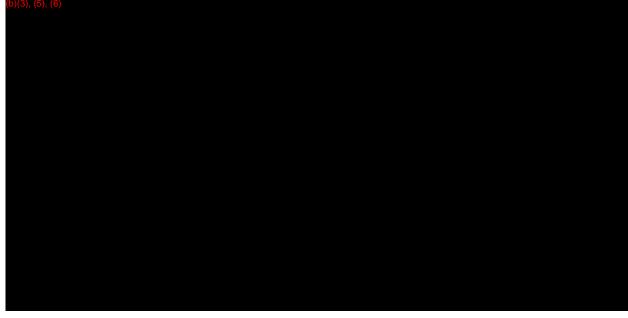
(OST)

Cc: Keith Labedz; Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones

**Subject:** RE: Elaine Chao EA and 278

Hi all, again!

Hope everyone had a great weekend, with lots of family and friends!





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I would appreciate your thoughts and reasoning on the current wording for these Bear in mind that I'm an accountant, not an attorney, and am not well-versed in conflicts of interest as defined by the Federal government. (But my profession does have a few conflict rules of its own!)

I am leaving tomorrow (b) (6) , returning to the US a week from Wednesday. My e-mail and phone will work (b) (6) at least theoretically), so feel free to contact me by either means while I'm away. Thanks for your help!

Have a happy and safe New Years Eve!

Larry

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From: Lorna A. Syme
To: Keith Labedz
Subject: question

Date: Wednesday, December 28, 2016 9:02:46 AM

Lorna:



Please let me know if you have additional questions.





**From:** Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov] **Sent:** Wednesday, December 28, 2016 12:37 PM

**To:** Herr, Ellen (OST); Kaleta, Judy (OST)

**Subject:** questions



For your review. Please forward to the representative if you are fine with the questions.

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From: Lorna A. Syme
To: Deborah J. Bortot
Subject: questions

Date: Wednesday, December 28, 2016 1:58:04 PM

Attachments: questions for chao.docx

1 page attachment withheld in full - (b)(3), (5), (6)

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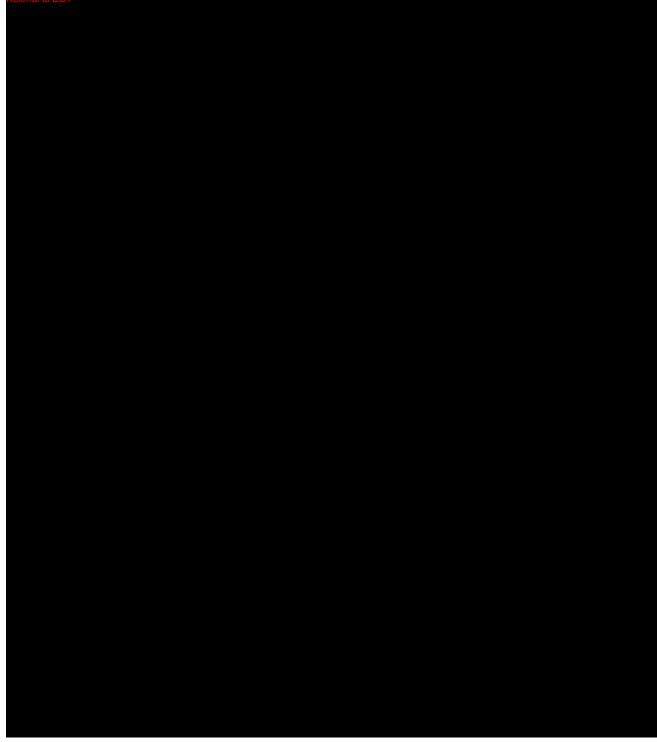
Cc: Lorna A. Syme; Sandra S. Mabry; Kaleta, Judy (OST)

Subject: [GRAYMAIL] Re: questions for Ethics Agreement

Date: Wednesday, December 28, 2016 2:15:38 PM

Thanks! Will let you know when we receive response from (b)(3), (6)

Sent from my iPhone





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----Original Message-----

From: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, December 28, 2016 7:28 PM

To: Deborah Bortot; Herr, Ellen (OST); Sandra S. Mabry; Kaleta, Judy (OST); lasyme@oge.gov

Subject: Elaine Chao Letter

See attached, and let me know your thoughts. Thanks.

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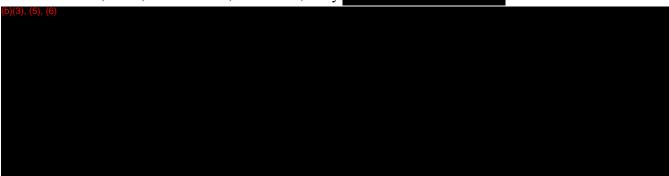
; Larry Steinberg

Subject: [GRAYMAIL] FW: Elaine Chao Letter - OGE another question

Date: Thursday, December 29, 2016 3:25:04 PM

Lorna: please see response to your follow-up question below.

On Dec 29, 2016, at 12:10 PM, Perkins Jr, Jerry > wrote:



Jerry F. Perkins Jr.

**General Counsel and Secretary** 

**Vulcan Materials Company** 

1200 Urban Center Drive

Birmingham, Alabama 35242

Office: (b) (6)

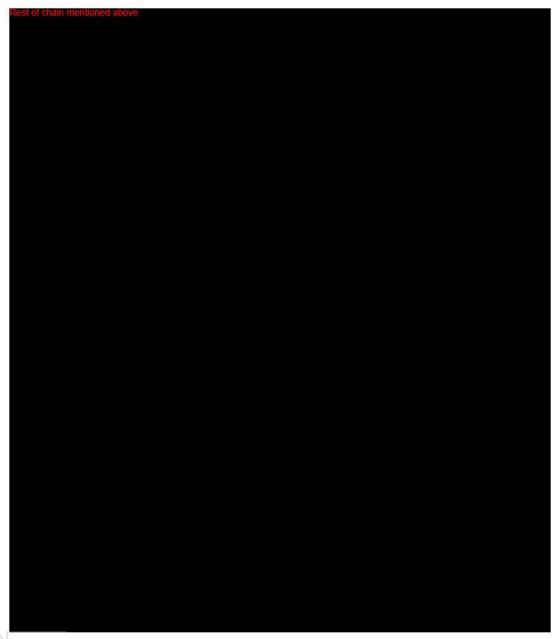
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Thanks. Lorna



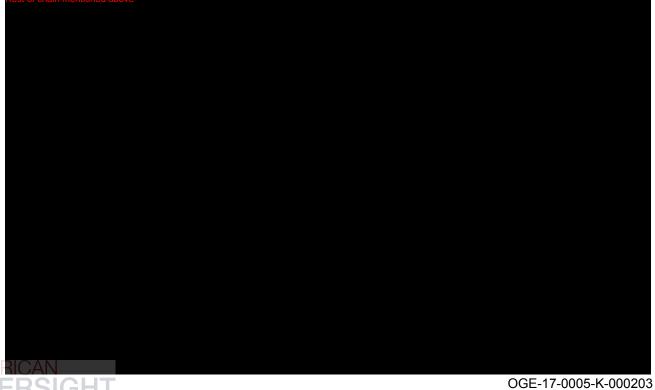


From: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 29, 2016 4:02 PM

To: Lorna A. Syme; Herr, Ellen (OST); Sandra S. Mabry; Deborah Bortot; hajones@oge.gov; Kaleta, Judy

Subject: Fwd: Elaine Chao Letter

See below...



 From:
 Lorna A. Syme

 To:
 Deborah J. Bortot

 Subject:
 FW: Elaine Chao EA & 278

Date: Thursday, December 29, 2016 5:20:52 PM

From: Deborah J. Bortot

Sent: Wednesday, December 28, 2016 12:54 PM

To: Lorna A. Syme

Subject: Fw: Elaine Chao EA & 278

## Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Tim Wang (b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, December 28, 2016 9:28 AM

To: Deborah J. Bortot Cc: Larry Steinberg

Subject: Elaine Chao EA & 278

Mr. Larry Steinberg just told us of your email last night.

(b)(3), (5), (6)

Mr. Steinberg will be landing soon and I'd imagine talk to you. Do you have a telephone or a cell phone for reference?

Many thanks.

Tim Wang

O: (b) (6)

M: (6) (6)



From: Lorna A. Syme

To: "Larry Steinberg"; Ellen A. Herr; Sandra S. Mabry; Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones;

Subject: RE: Elaine Chao Letter

Date: Thursday, December 29, 2016 5:57:05 PM 3 page attachment withheld in full

Attachments: <u>Draft EA for OGE 12-29-16.docx</u> (b)(3), (4), (5), (6)

Attached please find a revised ethics agreement.

We have also revised the 278e by adding the following endnote to Part 2, line 13.2 and Part 3, line 7: [0](8), (4), (6)

Please have the filer review the 278e and the ethics agreement and confirm that she is fine with everything.

Thank you.

Lorna



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From: Lorna A. Syme "Herr, Ellen (OST)" To:

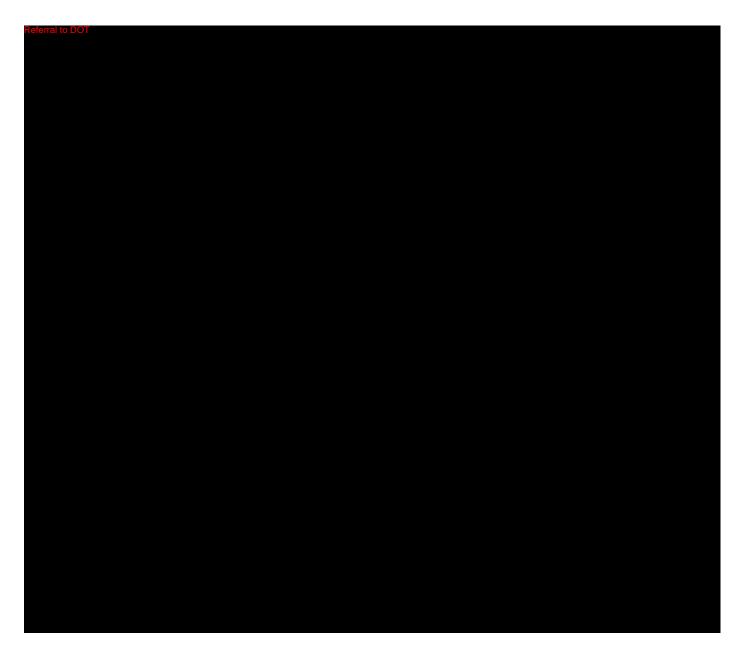
Subject: RE: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2, Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7

Date: Friday, December 30, 2016 10:08:10 AM

#### Ellen:

I received your message. Please call me when you get out of your meeting.

#### Lorna



From: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 29, 2016 9:14 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Cc: Sandra S. Mabry; Kaleta, Judy (OST); Lorna A. Syme



Subject: Fwd: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2, Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7

Ellen:

See requested change from Elaine. Hopefully you are OK with this, and can make the change. Per your letter, please send instructions on completing this letter to Secretary Chao, Tim Wang, and me.

Thanks!

Larry

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Elaine Chao (b) (6)

Date: December 29, 2016 at 8:27:01 PM GMT-5

To: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)

Cc: Wang Tim (b) (6)

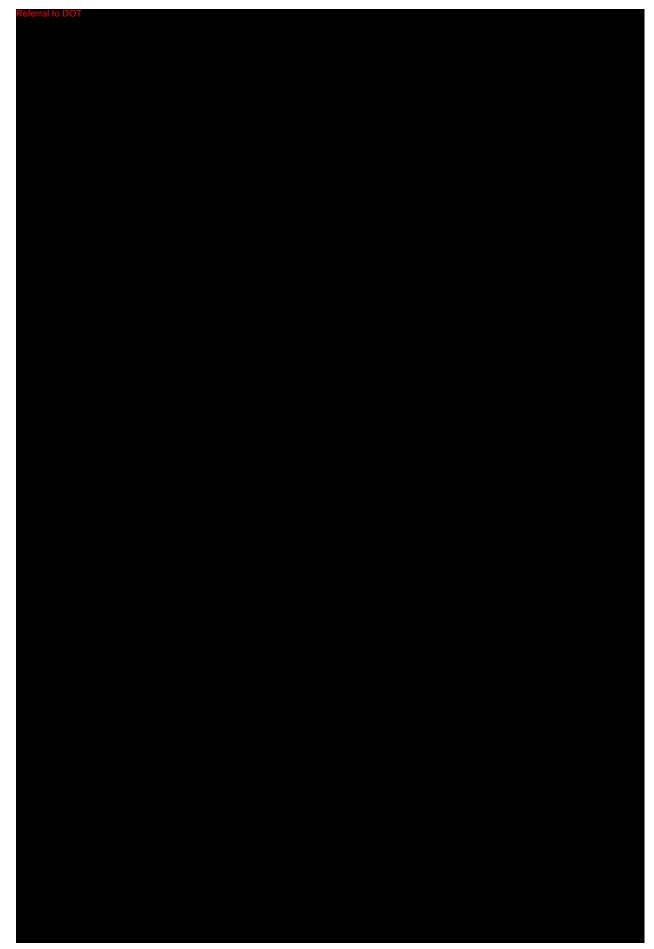
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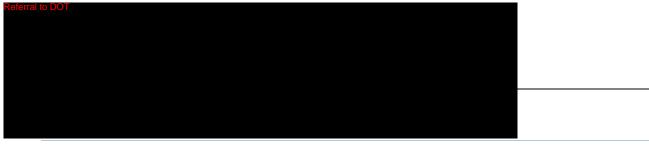


Larry: please confirm revision ok. Thank you.









From: Lorna A. Syme [mailto:lasyme@oge.gov] Sent: Friday, December 30, 2016 11:16 AM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject:



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From: Emory A. Rounds III

To: James Carroll

Subject: Re: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278

Date: Friday, December 30, 2016 2:28:58 PM

Fairly routine traffic to my eye. The intent piece is Annie's and timing is an unknown.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: James Carroll

Sent: Friday, December 30, 2016 2:16 PM

To: Emory A. Rounds III

Subject: Fwd: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278

I'm in personal meeting. What does this mean?

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From: Geoffrey Burr (b) (6)

Date: Fri, Dec 30, 2016 at 2:09 PM

Subject: Fwd: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278

To: James Carroll (b) (6)

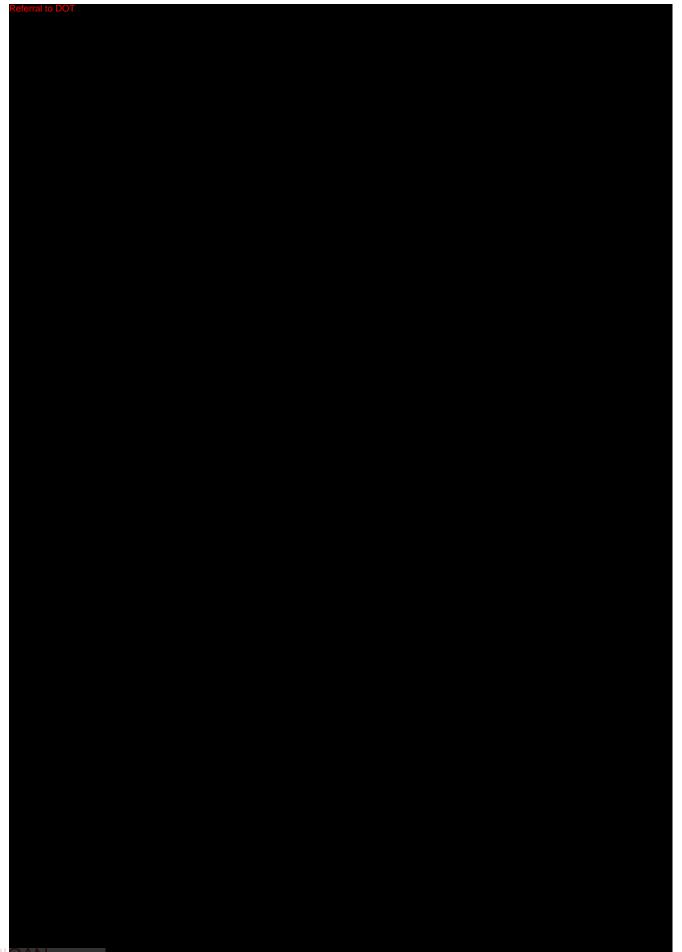
### Jim:

Please see the email from the DOT lawyer below regarding the intent to nominate paperwork. How does that process work, how long does it generally take and what do we need to do on our end. Thanks very much.

Geoff



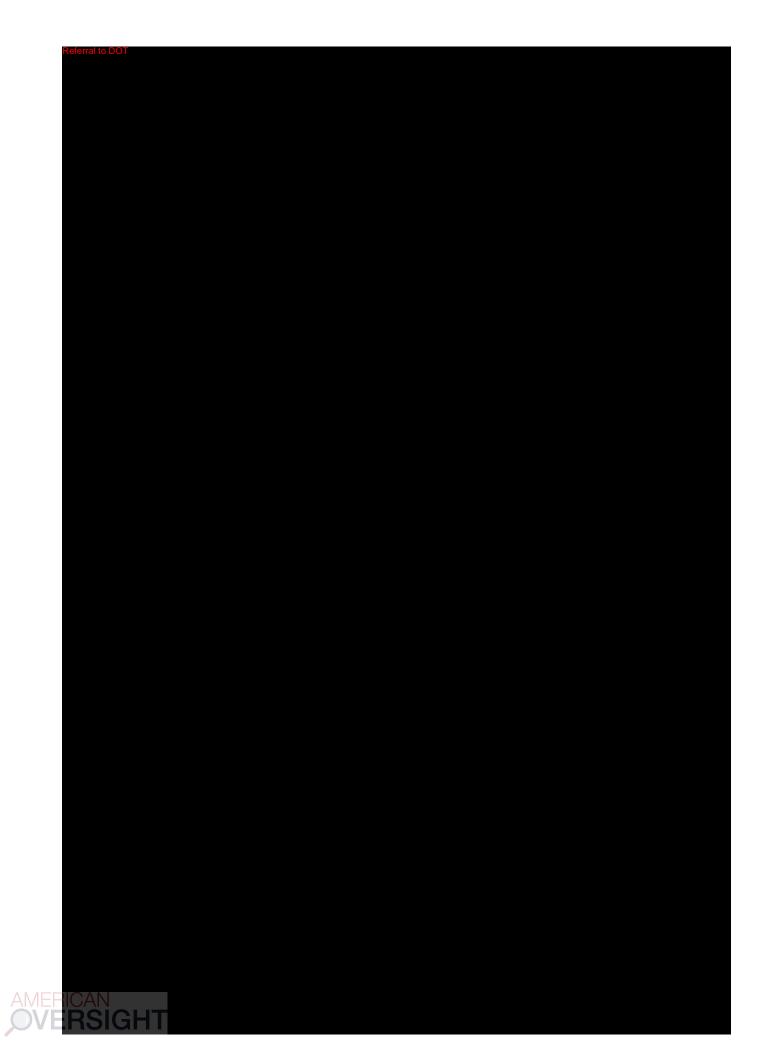












From: Tim Wang [(b) (6)

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To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

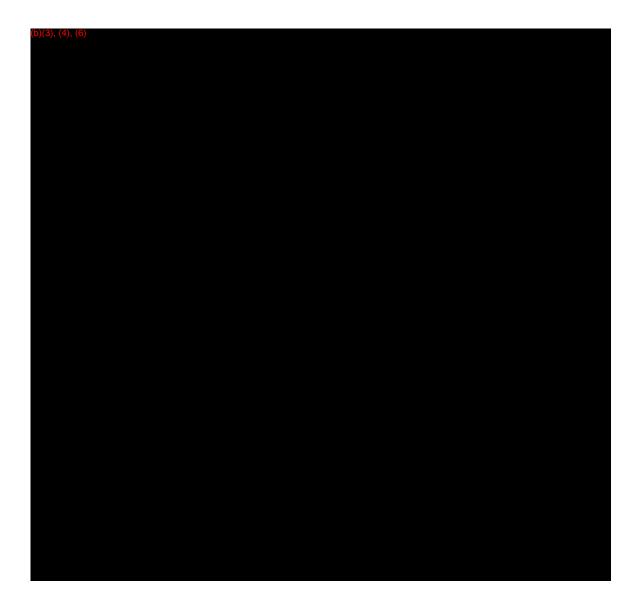
Cc: Larry Steinberg

Subject: RE: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2, Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7

Hi, Ellen: Thank you very much for your help and for working through this holiday season. Understand you and Larry have communicated:

A. We are awaiting your instructions and final document for Sec Chao to sign.





Thank you again.



From: Lorna A. Syme Deborah J. Bortot To:

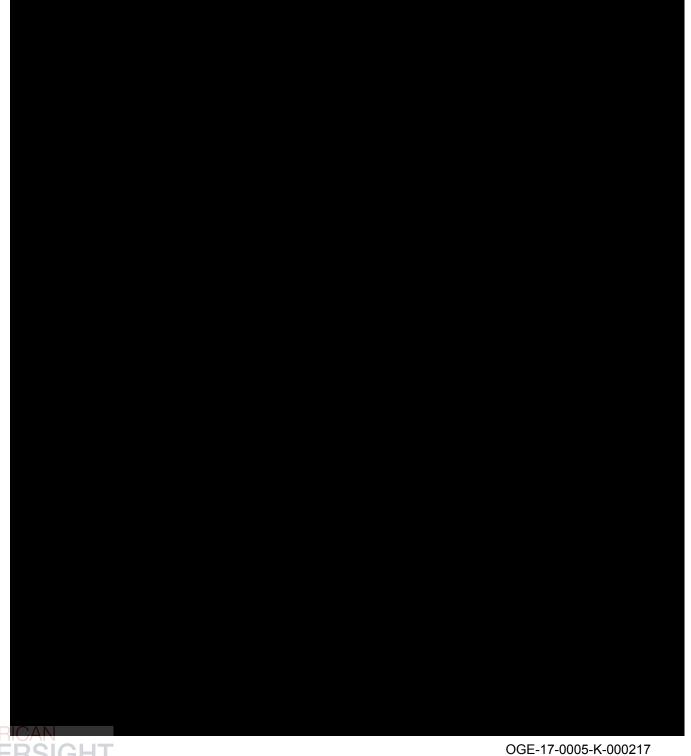
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From: Lorna A. Syme To: "Herr, Ellen (OST)"

Subject: voicemail

Date: Friday, December 30, 2016 6:56:07 PM

I'm off for the night but I will be checking my email over the weekend. Let me know if you have any questions on the voicemail I left you.

Happy New Year! Lorna

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From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov] **Sent:** Tuesday, January 03, 2017 1:18 PM To: Herr, Ellen (OST) Subject: RE: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2, Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7 Sandy 202-482-9258 As you probably know, we're trying to finish this one today From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov] **Sent:** Tuesday, January 03, 2017 12:45 PM To: Herr, Ellen (OST) Subject: FW: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2. Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7.

From: Larry Steinberg (b) (6)

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 03, 2017 12:28 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Cc: Tim Wang; (b)(6) Sandra S. Mabry; Lorna A. Syme; Kaleta, Judy (OST)

Subject: [GRAYMAIL] Re: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2, Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7



Hi all! Secretary Chao is OK with not making her change. Thanks! Larry

Sent from my iPhone

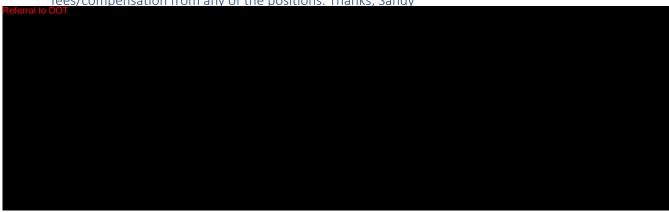


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Subject: RE: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2, Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7

Date: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 3:33:01 PM

Get the info for Part 1 and either you or I can enter it in Integrity. Please confirm no fees/compensation from any of the positions. Thanks, Sandy



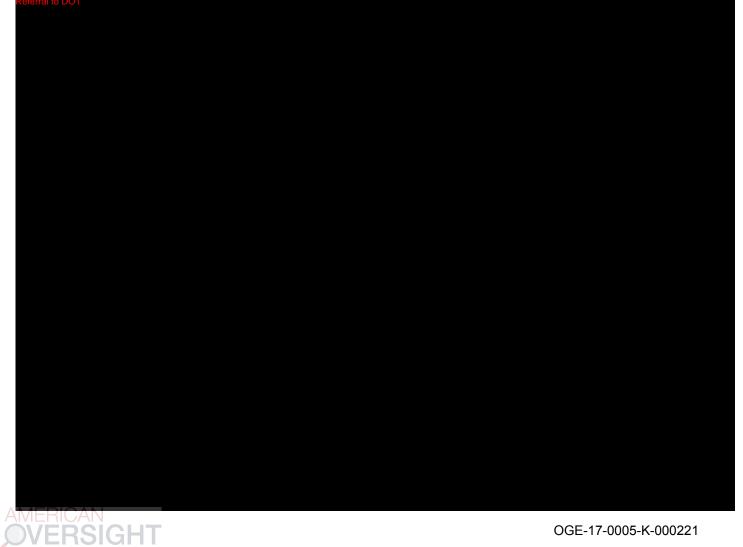
From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 2:42 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: RE: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2, Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7

Thanks, Ellen



From: Tim Wang (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 1:35 PM To: Herr, Ellen (OST); 'Larry Steinberg'

Cc: Subject: RE: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2, Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7

From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 12:32 PM
To: 'Larry Steinberg'; Herr, Ellen (OST)
Cc: Tim Wang;
Subject: RE: Elaine Chao EA & OGE 278 - edit endnote to Part 2, Line 13.2 & Part 3 line 7

Thanks, Larry



From: Van Beek, Jason (Commerce)

To: Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: RE: Chao and Ross OGE packages
Date: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 5:16:24 PM

Hi Sandy, when you get a chance tomorrow, could you give me a call at (b) (6)

Best, Jason

From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2016 6:53 PM

To: Van Beek, Jason (Commerce) (b) (6)

**Subject:** RE: Chao and Ross OGE packages

Jason, just got back to my computer and saw your email. I'll call you tomorrow to discuss. Sandy

From: Van Beek, Jason (Commerce) (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2016 4:41 PM

To: Sandra S. Mabry; Rossi, Nick (Commerce); Arnakis, Adrian (Commerce)

Subject: Chao and Ross OGE packages

Hi Sandra, hope you're doing well. Thx again for the quick turnaround of the STB nom a few weeks ago, it was greatly appreciated! I'm just curious about when we can expect the OGE packages for Ms. Chao and Wilbur Ross. - Jason

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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From: Sandra S. Mabry

To: "Kaleta, Judy (OST)"; "Herr, Ellen (OST)"

Subject: FW: PRECLEARED: Elaine Chao

Date: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 7:17:01 PM

Judy and Ellen, do not have the filer sign the report or the ethics agreement until I give you the word. Ellen, I'll call you in the morning. Thanks, Sandy

From: Deborah J. Bortot

Sent: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 7:08 PM

To: 'Ann M Donaldson'

Cc: Sandra S. Mabry; David J. Apol; Heather A. Jones; Teresa L. Williamson; Rodrick T. Johnson; Emory

A. Rounds III; Herr, Ellen (OST); Keith Labedz; 'Kaleta, Judy (OST)'

Subject: PRECLEARED: Elaine Chao

Annie, Elaine Chao is precleared. Sandy, please forward the ethics agreement to Annie.

Thanks!

Deb

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From: Deborah J. Bortot

To: "Ann M Donaldson"

Cc: Emory A. Rounds III; Sandra S. Mabry; Teresa L. Williamson

Subject: Elaine Chao

**Date:** Thursday, January 05, 2017 8:51:07 AM

## Annie,

Just making sure you are aware that we have not received the authorization from you to send Elaine Chao's paperwork to the Senate.

We precleared her 1/3/2017.

Thanks, Deb

From: Deborah J. Bortot

Sent: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 7:08 PM

To: 'Ann M Donaldson'

Cc: Sandra S. Mabry; David J. Apol; Heather A. Jones; Teresa L. Williamson; Rodrick T. Johnson; Emory

A. Rounds III; Herr, Ellen (OST); Keith Labedz; 'Kaleta, Judy (OST)'

Subject: PRECLEARED: Elaine Chao

Annie, Elaine Chao is precleared. Sandy, please forward the ethics agreement to Annie.

Thanks!

Deb

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From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov] Sent: Thursday, January 05, 2017 10:52 AM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: re your phone message RE: PRECLEARED: Elaine Chao

No word yet. Will let you know as soon as I hear



From: Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, January 03, 2017 7:26 PM

To: 'Ann M Donaldson'

Cc: Emory A. Rounds III; Kaleta, Judy (OST); Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: RE: PRECLEARED: Elaine Chao

Annie, the precleared ethics agreement is attached.



No attachment found in search

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 From:
 Deborah J. Bortot

 To:
 Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: RE: Secretary Elaine Chao

**Date:** Thursday, January 05, 2017 3:17:42 PM

Have Teresa enter today as nomination date. This will have to be done before filer can sign.

From: Sandra S. Mabry

Sent: Thursday, January 05, 2017 3:16 PM

To: Deborah J. Bortot

Subject: RE: Secretary Elaine Chao

Thanks, Deb. Will call agency

From: Deborah J. Bortot

Sent: Thursday, January 05, 2017 3:15 PM

**To:** Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: FW: Secretary Elaine Chao

From: Ann M Donaldson (b) (6)

**Sent:** Thursday, January 05, 2017 1:38 PM **To:** Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones

**Subject:** Secretary Elaine Chao

On behalf of the President-Elect, this email serves as confirmation that the President-Elect intends to nominate Secretary Elaine Chao to be Secretary of Transportation. Please transmit her pre-cleared 278 report to the appropriate Senate committee.

Thank you, Annie

Ann M. Donaldson Associate

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From: Tim Wang (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, January 05, 2017 5:27 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Cc: Kaleta, Judy (OST); Sandra S. Mabry; Larry Steir Subject: Signed Ethics Agreement for Transportation Secretary-Designate ; 'Larry Steinberg'; Geoff Burr

Please see attached signed Ethics Agreement for Transportation Secretary-Designate Elaine L. Chao.

Please confirm receipt. Thank you.

## Tim Wang

Program Manager Hudson Institute

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From: Torppey, Brad (Commerce)

To: Sandra S. Mabry
Subject: Sec. Chao

**Date:** Thursday, January 05, 2017 6:13:15 PM

Hi Sandy,

Can you please call me at (b) (6) when you have a minute to answer a couple quick questions about the process for OGE certification. My boss has been asking questions in anticipation of next week's confirmation hearing. Thank you.

Brad

Bradley Torppey
Deputy General Counsel
Ranking Member Bill Nelson
U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
(b) (6)





From: Torppey, Brad (Commerce) (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, January 05, 2017 6:19 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: Sec. Chao nomination

Hi Sandy,

Can you please call me at (b) (6) when you have a minute to answer a couple quick questions. My boss has been asking questions in anticipation of next week's confirmation hearing, and I'm hoping to learn a bit more about the process/status. Thank you!

Brad

Bradley Torppey
Deputy General Counsel
Ranking Member Bill Nelson
U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation



From: Integrity.gov
To: Sandra S. Mabry

Subject:Integrity.gov: Report Pending ActionDate:Friday, January 06, 2017 1:18:33 PM

A 2017 Nominee report for Chao, Elaine L is pending your action as OGE Nominee Reviewer. You may access the report by logging into integrity at <a href="https://integrity.gov">https://integrity.gov</a>.





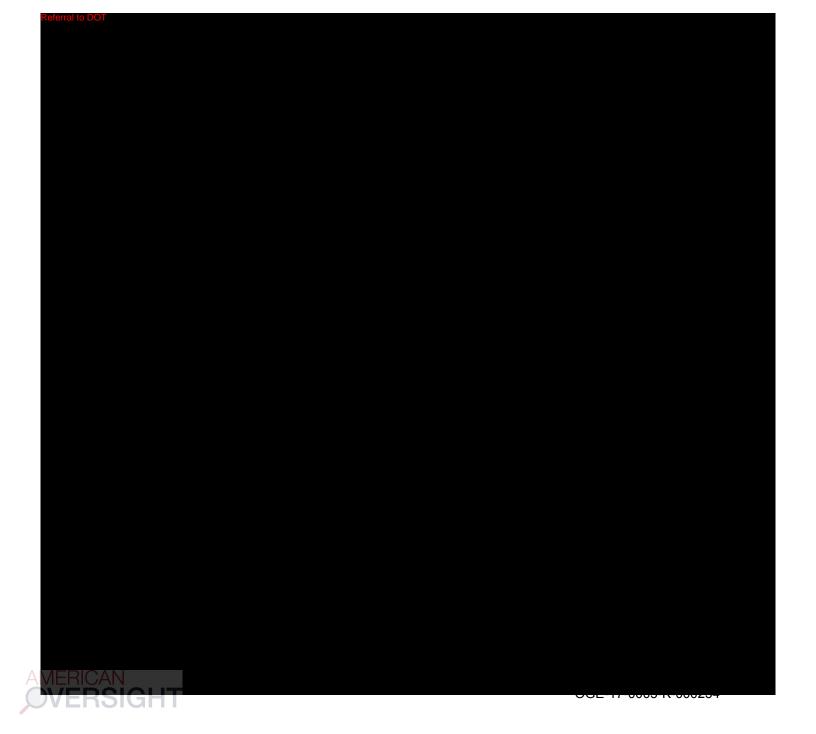
**From:** Sandra S. Mabry [mailto:ssmabry@oge.gov]

**Sent:** Friday, January 06, 2017 3:08 PM

To: Herr, Ellen (OST)

Subject: FW: Ethics Agreement for Elaine L. Chao - Nominee for Secretary of Transportation

Ellen, please resend the signed EA. The one attached is missing page 2.



From: <u>Teresa L. Williamson</u>

To: "Van Beek, Jason (Commerce)"

Cc: Sandra S. Mabry

Subject: RE: Public Financial Disclosure Report of Elaine L. Chao

**Date:** Friday, January 06, 2017 4:25:30 PM

Jason, Once the documents are uploaded to our website they will be available at:

lonresponsive network info

Thanks! Have a great weekend! Teresa

From: Van Beek, Jason (Commerce) (5) (6) Sent: Friday, January 06, 2017 4:24 PM

**To:** Teresa L. Williamson

Cc: Deborah J. Bortot; Sandra S. Mabry; Rodrick T. Johnson; Heather A. Jones;

b)(6) - Ann Donaldson's email addres

Subject: RE: Public Financial Disclosure Report of Elaine L. Chao

Teresa and Sandy, is there by chance a link on OGE's website to these documents? - Jason

From: Teresa L. Williamson [mailto:tlwillia@oge.gov]

Sent: Friday, January 6, 2017 4:12 PM

**To:** Van Beek, Jason (Commerce) < (6) (6)

**Cc:** Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>; Sandra S. Mabry <<u>ssmabry@oge.gov</u>>; Rodrick T.

Johnson <<u>riohnson@oge.gov</u>>; Heather A. Jones <<u>hajones@oge.gov</u>>; (b)(6) - Ann Donaldson's email

Subject: Public Financial Disclosure Report of Elaine L. Chao

Good Afternoon,

below. 278 financial disclosure report withheld in full - (b)(3) - Available at https:// extapps2.oge gov/201/Presiden.nsf/PAS% 20Index?OpenView

I've attached the financial disclosure package for Elaine L. Chao. President-Elect Trump has announced his intention to nominate Ms. Chao for the position of Secretary, Department of Transportation.

The hard copy of the attached documents will be placed at OGE reception for pick up by a Senate rider page per our agreement. If you have any questions, please contact Teresa Williamson @ 202-482-9283.

Please respond to this message to confirm receipt of the attached package, and please let me know in your response whether you will send a Senate rider page.

Thanks!

Teresa Williamson Presidential Nominations Branch U.S. Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Avenue, NW - Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005



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From: Torppey, Brad (Commerce)

To: Sandra S. Mabry
Subject: Sec. Chao review

**Date:** Saturday, January 07, 2017 3:13:39 PM

Hi Sandy,

Thanks again for talking on Thurs. evening. I learned a lot and greatly appreciate the time in the midst of what I know must be an incredibly busy period.

There was some discussion today in a New York Times <u>article</u> of pressure from the transition on OGE to complete ethics reviews. Can you address whether this was experienced in your review of Secretary Chao? We obviously want to ensure OGE is being given the necessary time and space it needs to complete its critical work.

Thanks and I hope you're able to enjoy some of your weekend!

Brad

**(b) (6)** (cell)





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The Honorable John Thune Chairman Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, I enclose a copy of the financial disclosure report filed by Elaine L. Chao. President-Elect Trump has announced his intention to nominate Ms. Chao for the position of Secretary, Department of Transportation.

We have reviewed the report and have obtained advice from the agency concerning any possible conflict in light of its functions and the nominee's proposed duties. Also enclosed is an ethics agreement outlining the actions that the nominee will undertake to avoid conflicts of interest. Unless a date for compliance is indicated in the ethics agreement, the nominee must fully comply within three months of confirmation with any action specified in the ethics agreement.

Based thereon, we believe that this nominee is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations governing conflicts of interest.

Sincerely,

Walter M. Shaub, Jr.

Director

Enclosures

Judith S. Kaleta Designated Agency Ethics Official U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Ms. Kaleta:

I am committed to the highest standards of ethical conduct for government officials. The purpose of this letter is to describe the steps that I will take to avoid any actual or apparent conflict of interest in the event that I am confirmed for the position of Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

As required by 18 U.S.C. § 208(a), I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter in which I know that I have a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, or in which I know that a person whose interests are imputed to me has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2). I understand that the interests of the following persons are imputed to me: any spouse or minor child of mine; any general partner of a partnership in which I am a limited or general partner; any organization in which I serve as officer, director, trustee, general partner or employee; and any person or organization with which I am negotiating or have an arrangement concerning prospective employment.

I am the sole proprietor of Firebird International, LLC, a pass-through entity established to receive my fees from speaking engagements and compensation from directorships. During my appointment to the position of Secretary, this entity will remain dormant and will not advertise. I will not perform any services for this entity, except that I will comply with any requirements involving legal filings, taxes and fees that are necessary to maintain the entity while it is in an inactive status. As Secretary, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of Firebird International, LLC.

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position with the Hudson Institute. For a period of one year after my resignation from this entity, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know this entity is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position with Ford's Theatre. For a period of one year after my resignation from this entity, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know this entity is a party or



represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

I resigned from my position with The Heritage Foundation on June 13, 2016. For a period of one year after my resignation from this entity, I will also not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know this entity is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position with News Corporation. I hold unvested deferred stock units with News Corporation. I do not hold any vested deferred stock units, stock options, restricted stock or common stock. Pursuant to the terms of the company's Directors' Deferred Stock Unit Plan, my unvested deferred stock units will vest upon separation from service on the Board, and I will receive a cash payout based on the closing price of the company's Class A common stock on the date of termination. For a period of one year after my resignation, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know News Corporation is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position with Ingersoll Rand. I hold vested and unvested retainer stock units with Ingersoll Rand. I do not hold any stock options, restricted stock or common stock. Pursuant to the terms of the company's Directors' Retainer Stock Unit Plan, my unvested retainer stock units will vest upon separation from service on the Board, and I will receive a cash payout for all of my retainer stock units based on the closing price of the company's common stock on the date of my separation. For a period of one year after my resignation from this entity, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know this entity is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position with Vulcan Materials. I hold vested deferred stock units with Vulcan Materials. I do not hold any unvested deferred stock units, stock options, restricted stock or common stock. Pursuant to the terms of the company's Directors' Deferred Stock Unit Plan, I will receive a cash payout for all of my vested deferred stock units in April of the year following the year of my separation from service. The cash payout will be determined based on the closing price of the company's common stock at the time payment is made that April. Until the deferred stock units are redeemed, I will continue to receive deferred stock unit equivalents, which track dividends on the company's common stock. Until I receive the cash payment of my vested deferred stock units, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of Vulcan Materials, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1).

Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position with Wells Fargo & Company. I hold common stock and vested deferred stock compensation with Wells Fargo. I do not hold any stock options or restricted stock. Pursuant to the terms of the company's Directors Stock Compensation and Deferral Plan – Stock Award Deferrals, I will receive a cash payout for my deferred stock compensation (all of which is fully vested at the time of grant) based on various



elections I have made each year that I have served on the Board. The cash payout will be determined based on the closing price of the company's common stock at the time payment is made, and I will continue to receive deferred stock compensation equivalents, which track dividends on the company's common stock until I receive the cash payout. If I resign my position on the board after December 31, 2016, the approximate portion of my deferred stock compensation to be paid out is as follows: July 2017 – 48%; March 2018 – 29%; March 2019 – 15%; March 2020 – 4%; and March 2021 – 4%. Until I receive the final payment, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of Wells Fargo, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2). For a period of one year after my resignation, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I know Wells Fargo is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

As a former director of Northwest Airlines, which merged with Delta Airlines in 2009, I receive discounted travel on Delta Airlines. I have never been a director of Delta Airlines, and this benefit is taxable on such discounted airfare at rates established by the Internal Revenue Service. I will forgo this discounted airfare for the duration of my appointment as Secretary. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to my knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the ability or willingness of Delta Airlines to provide this benefit, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1).

I have been advised that this ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. § 552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with ethics agreements of other Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.

Sincerely,

Flaine L. Chac

